



LIFE STORY OF SRI SAINATH



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PREFACE

First of all, I do pranamams to my respected parents having given this (body) birth to me to try, understand and attain salvation, if He permits in this birth itself.

Secondly I pay my respects to Sri Ganeshji, Sri Gajanan Maharaj of Shegaon, Sri Sripada Srivallabha of Pithapuram, Lord Sri Dattatreya, Sri Sainath of Shirdi and my family deity Sri Kameshwari Devi of Mahanandi for blessing me and inspiring me to do some Seva so that my fellow humanbeings can benefit.

After that I pay my respects to all my teachers / Guru who are instrumental in imparting knowledge and discipline in my life. I pay my respects to Smt Lakshmi the author of Telugu version of this Sai Charitra (Shorter Version) for giving permission to translate to English for the benefit of devotees who can't read Telugu and my respects also to all those who unconditionally supported in bringing out this book.

Last but not the least, I bow my head at the Lotus Feet of Sri Sainath and at the Feet of all Sai devotees who do the Parayana of this Sai Charitra to pardon me if any mistakes rolled in.

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Om Sri Ganeshyanamaha: Om Sri Gajananayanamaha:

Om Sri Sainathayanamaha:

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Dedicating this at Sri Sainath Maharaj's Lotus Feet, who fulfilled our longing desire of translating His life story (Shorter Version) from Telugu to English.

Rules for doing the Parayana:

1. Pure mind is important in doing God worship, than beautiful physical body, that's why it is important to keep mind on God while doing Parayana.
2. Only devotion, Bhakti and mind are important and not the age. Young, old, male, female or any one of any age can do the Parayana.
3. Caste and creed will not be any obstruction to do parayana of Sri Sai's life Story and any one with faith can do it.
4. Sit in front of Sri Sai's photo after taking bath and with pure mind which is enough.
5. Maintain cleanliness of place of worship and surroundings.
6. Once starting parayana, don't get up from the seat and go here and there. Sri Baba doesn't want any more rules than this. Observe the above rules and do the parayana and you will get Baba's blessings.
7. Keeping this Sri Sai's Life story book with you, not just only while travelling to Shirdi, but in all your travels, will be of great help to have Baba's blessings. You will surely get Baba's grace, blessings and victory always.

Procedure for starting Parayana:

1. Baba the preceptor and God, likes Thursday, so start Parayana on that day only.

2. Daily, wear washed dry clothes, after taking bath, facing either east or north sit in front of Baba's photo, light a lamp and start parayana.
3. After parayana, offer without fail whatever you wish and whatever is available at that time at your disposal as 'Naivedya'.
4. Do the parayana only if you have devotion & Bhakti in parayana and full faith in Baba, offerings without pure mind is waste, which may please note.
5. Whenever parayana is completed and as many number of weeks as you planned, each time send dakshina of Rs.11/= or as per your capacity, to Shirdi Sai Sansthan without forgetting.
6. You can send money for Annadanam scheme to Sai Sansthan or you may do the annadanam at your place of stay.
7. As you decide to do number of parayanas (Ex: 1, 2, 3, 7, 9, 11 etc.....) complete those number of parayana's and purchase that many number of Sri Sai's Life story books i.e. (1, 2, 3, 7, 9, 11 etc...) and distribute to as many people, and you can reap the fruits of donation of books very fast. Even if you spend Rs.10/= for Baba, He will in-turn give back 10 times to you. This is Baba's principle. That's why, don't hesitate to spend money to donate Sri Sai's Life story book, by this you are making aware others about Baba and develop bhakti on Baba, and you will get the benefit of fruits from this.
8. Do annadanam to poor, lame, blind, dumb and lepers after doing daily parayana.
9. Don't forget to take this book with you wherever you go. In the form of this book Baba will be with you.

Auspicious days for Parayana:

Telugu New year (Ugadi)/siting of moon, Sri Ramnavmi, Shani

trayodashi, Masashivratri, SampadGauri vratam, Sri Hanuman Jayanti, First Ekadashi, Guru Poornima, Vinayak Chaviti (Sri Ganesh Chaturdhi) Varlakshmi Vratam , Anant Chaturdhi (Anata Vratam) Dasera (Devi) Navratra, Dhanvantri Jayanti, Vaikuntha Ekadashi, Mukti Ekadashi, Sri Subrahmanyam Sashti, Krishna Angarka Chaturdhi, Sri Datta Jayanti, Anaghastami, Bakri Id, Christmas, Ramzan, Moharam, Makar Sankranti, Mahashivratri, Ekadashi falling on Thursdays, Full Moon falling on Thursdays, Sri Shankara Jayanti and Sri Sai Baba Samadhi day i.e. next day of Vijayadashami i.e. Ekadashi) are said to be auspicious days.

Methods of doing Parayana of Sri Sai Baba life history:

1. Complete reading of all '54 chapters' in one day can be done (on auspicious days, during journey & at holy places)
2. Doing parayana in two days:
 - Read chapters 1 to 27 on first day and on the 2nd day from chapter 28 to 54. This two days parayana can be done on any Thursday & Friday or during festivals on consecutive days. (Example: Ganesh chaturdhi (Vinayaka chavti & Rishi Panchami).
3. Doing Parayana in 3 days:
 - On the first day Read chapters from 1 to 18
 - On the 2nd day read chapters from 19 to 36 and
 - On the 3rd day read chapters from 37 to 54This 3days parayana can be done on Thursday, Friday and Saturday
4. Doing parayana in 9 days:
 - Reading 6 chapters daily for 9 days Vinayaka Navratris (9 days), Devi

Navratris (9 nights of Dasara) and Vasanta Navratris are suitable for this type of 9 days parayana.

5. Doing parayana in 11 days:

- Starting on Thrusday read 5 chapters per day for 10 days and on the last day 4 chapters in this type of parayana.

6. Method of doing Special parayana:

- Daily 11 chapters for 54 days completing 11 parayanas. The details of this parayana are given in the table below:

SAI SATCHARITRA 54 DAYS PARAYANA SCHEDULE

Day	No Of Chapters	Total Charitra Parayana Count	Day	No Of Chapters	Total Charitra Parayana Count
1	1 to 11	1	28	28 to 38	6
2	12 to 22		29	39 to 49	
3	23 to 33		30	50 to 54 & 1 to 6	
4	34 to 44		31	7 to 17	
5	45 to 54 & 1	2	32	18 to 28	7
6	2 to 12		33	29 to 39	
7	13 to 23		34	40 to 50	
8	24 to 34		35	51 to 54 & 1 to 7	
9	35 to 45		36	8 to 18	
10	46 to 54, 1 & 2		37	19 to 29	
11	3 to 13		38	30 to 40	
12	14 to 24	39	41 to 51		
13	25 to 35	40	52 to 54 & 1 to 8		
14	36 to 46	41	9 to 19		
15	47 to 54, 1, 2 & 3	3	42	20 to 30	9
16	4 to 14		43	31 to 41	
17	15 to 25		44	42 to 52	
18	26 to 36		45	53, 54 & 1 to 9	
19	37 to 47		46	10 to 20	
20	48 to 54 & 1 to 4	4	47	21 to 31	10
21	5 to 15		48	32 to 42	
22	16 to 26		49	43 to 53	
23	27 to 37		50	54 & 1 to 10	
24	38 to 48	5	51	11 to 21	11
25	49 to 54 & 1 to 5		52	22 to 32	
26	6 to 16		53	33 to 43	
27	17 to 27		54	44 to 54	

This special parayana can be done in one's pooja room, in temples, during travel to pilgrim places, Sai temples, on the holy river banks, place of worship of Lord Dattreya, in holy Shirdi, peaceful places like mountain ranges, river/ sea joining places etc.

Special parayana (Daily 11 chapters)

Total parayana has been divided into 54 chapters. In this parayana, 11 chapters to be read daily. If read like that this book will be completed in 54 days. If daily 11 chapters are read, on the 5th day 10 chapters are left. Then chapter 1 to be added to these 10 chapters and read as 11 chapters on the 5th day. Like this daily 11 chapters to be read and if number of chapters required are less than 11, then the short fall to be picked up from the next 11 chapters and making the total chapters as 11 on each day. This is to be considered as Special Parayana. Thinking a true and genuine desire in the mind, and expressing that desire to Sai Baba, if this Special Parayans is done with pure mind then without doubt that desire will be fulfilled.

For your easy understanding a table is given above. Under any circumstances 11 chapters must be read on everyday. Thus on 54th day (Monday) your parayana will be completed without any chapters being left out. This parayana should be started on Thursday. Baba will fill your house with money & happiness before this parayana is completed, will provide you with happy living. Offer Dakshina/Donation of Rs. 11/- for each

parayana. Buy 11 books (of this Sai Charitra), distribute to 11 persons and make them read this parayana. Spread virtuousness & Devotion and leave the wickedness /atheism.

Parayana –Results/Benifits.

- 1 Any good work will have Benefits attached to it. And how can there be no benefit doing God's work, Nama-japa, Sankeertana, Parayana etc. First of all our minds get peaceful.
- 2 Fears will get destroyed and one becomes bold.
- 3 When Parayana is done with pure mind, whatever work is thought of will get quickly fulfilled.
- 4 Baba will take care of every work that is thought of with parayana effect.
- 5 If we have devotion in Baba, Baba himself will see that all our works are completed victoriously.
- 6 Due to parayana, foolishness will go and one will gain enlightenment. Enemies will get destroyed and friendship will occur.
- 7 By doing parayana, one can gain in job, business, money, gold, vehicles, materials, children, grandchildren and all kinds of luxuries.
- 8 Students can do higher studies easily by doing parayana. If parayana is done before exams, can pass the exam with higher marks.
- 9 Unmarried (either male or female) will get married in quick time.
- 10 By doing parayana of this book and leaving burden on Baba any kind of prolonged diseases get cured. Don't forget that Baba's Nama-japa is disease curing Sanjivani.

- 11 By doing Baba's parayana all mental ill thoughts, all kinds of afflictions, mental agonies, ill feelings, cruel ideas and cruel thoughts will vanish and disappear.
- 12 By doing Sri Sai Life History parayana we will get peaceful, happy, joyful and luxurious life, healthy, prosperous long fulfilled life. Whoever has Baba's photo, Sri Sai Life History book and Viboodhi (Udi) there Baba Himself will reside. What else devotees need?

Auspicious days to start parayana for fulfilment of different desires:

- For Better health - Dhanvantari Jayanti – Radha Saptami (Ravi Sankramana, Surya Jayanti)
- For Getting Children – Sri Subrahmanya Sasthi
- For Construction Work – Toli Ekadasi (Jyeshtha Ekadasi)
- For Removal of Obstacles – Sri Vinayaka Chavithi
- For Sankalpasiddhi – Ugadi, sighting of moon
- For Marriage and Kujadosham Remedy – Krishna Angarika Chaturdhi
- For Completion of work – Thursday, Devi Navaratri (Vijaya Dasami)
- For Curing of all kinds of diseases – Sani Trayodasi, Masa Shivaratri
- For Navagraha Dosha Nivarana – Sani Trayodasi, Masa Sivaratri, Maha Sivaratri & Hanuman Jayanti
- For Guru's grace – Guru Poornima & Sri Datta Jayanti
- For Long term Chronicle diseases – Anagashtahmi , Rishi Panchami
- For Relief from debts – Sri Vinayaka Chaviti, Krishna Angarika Chaturdhi

- To destroy enemies – Vijaya Dashmi, Naraka Chaturthi
- For Getting Job – Mukkoti Ekadasi
- For Promotion in Job –Saphala Ekadasi, Ksheerabdhi Dwadasi.

Sri Sai Baba Life History Parayana Granth

Chapter – 1 Thursday

- Sloak: Guru Brahma Guru Vishnu Guru Devo Maheshwara
Guru Sakshat Parambrahma Tasmai Sri Gurave Namaha:
Suklam Bharadaram Vishnum Sashi Varnam
Chaturbhujam
Prasnavadanam Dhayayet Sarva Vighnopa Shantayeh
Sada Sat Swaroopam Chidananda Kandam
Jagat Sambhava Sthana Samhara Hetum
Swabhaktiechhaya Maanusham Dharmyantam
Namameeswaram Sadgurum Sainatham!!
- Sloak: Ananad Mananada Karam Prasannam
Gyana Swaroopam Nija Bhodayuktam
Yogendra Meedyam Bhavaroga Vidyam
Sree Sadguru Nitya Maham Namami!!
- Sloak: Sadakalpa Vrukshayasya Tasyadhi moole
Bhavat Bhava Bhudhwa Saparyadi Sevam
Nrunam Kuruttvam Bhukti Mukti Pradamtam
Namameeswaram Sadguru Sainatham!!

Result of Parayana:

Like a sea Sri Saibaba Satcharitra is vast and in the same way it is also deep. Those who dip in this can obtain pearls of wisdom by dwelling with bhakti & devotion and can

distribute to others. Baba's stories, teaching righteousness, astonishes the reader very much. Gives required knowledge and wisdom for material and spiritual needs. By reading, listening, learning and reciting of this Sri Sai Satcharitra, devotees feel union with Brahma, gaining Dhyana, Astanga Yoga expertise. They not only overcome fear but also destroy their afflictions and ends ignorance.

Those who read and listen to this Grantha with faith, will develop deep devotion, faith, love and affection in Baba. They can effortlessly swim across the ocean of illusion of bonds and family.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 2

Though in reality the 'Atman' is beyond attachment of Satva, Raja & Tamas, we (The Atman) completely lost the way, due to the belief of illusion as truth, bowing our head at duality, surrendering to three types of momentary pleasures, relinquishing four types of liberation techniques, addicted to pleasures of five sense organs, shocked by six types of afflictions, intoxicated & drowned in seven types of habits, exposed to eight types of afflictions and living in this leather doll (physical body) having nine outlets. Only 'GURU' has the power to pull us out of this kind of difficult, harsh family sufferings. All the knowledgeable agreed that those who desire liberation have to surrender at Guru's feet only, and there is no other way.

“GU” means darkness, RU(from that) removes. That is 'GURU' is one who removes ignorance of darkness. It is

impossible for human beings to get liberated without totally surrendering to such type of GURU. Sri Rama had 'Brahma Rishi Vasishtha' & 'Rishi Viswamitra' and Sri Krishna had 'Sri Sandipani' as their guru and served them though they were Incarnations. Arjuna served Sri Krishna as sadguru during Kurukshetra war and got Sri Bhagavad Gita a good epic which is of abundance of knowledge. Sri Shankara Bhagwadpada had worshipped Sri Govindguru, Swamy Sri Raghavendra served Sri Sudheendra and Swamy Vivekananda became disciple of Sri Ramakrishan Parmahamsa, all these advocate us the greatness and requirement of GURU. We know the saying as "Education without GURU" is of no use. Path of Adhyatma is not like the regular education which can be learned by one-self. So if the 'Jeeva' wants to succeed in material and spiritual pursuits, the only way is to surrender to Sadguru. Sadguru is one who guides the disciples on righteous path and drives them to their natural abode. I bow in reverence at my Guru's feet and to Sri Dakshina Murthy, Sri Dattatreya, Sri Shankaracharya and Sri Shirdi Sai Baba who are worthy of Sadguru's.

Aum Sri Sainathanamaha:

Chapter – 3 – Sadguru Shirdi Sai- Boon Giver to Devotees

No end to the nectar like glance of SadGuru Shirdi Sai. With His grace only, though not much educated, Shervade has passed the law examination, though the planetary position was not good Baba Tendulkar passed in medical examination, and many more students have passed out in their respective

examinations. Many have got married, many jobless have got jobs. Some temporary job holders became permanent. People like Gangadhar Pant & Nanasaheb Chandorkar and many others have become healthy due to Baba's grace. Poverty of the poor got removed and the poor have become rich. Rich have become further richer and pious. Yoga practitioners have attained siddhi. Poets, singers and artists got up-liftment. Sri Sai Baba Himself vouched that He will see that there is no short fall for food and clothing at any time in His devotee's houses. If the disciples are Arjunas, Sri Sai Baba is incarnation of Lord Sri Krishna. To His devotees He is more than Chintamani, Kamadhenu (wish fulfilling Cow), Kalpavruksha (wish fulfilling Tree). To the desirous He is Annapurna, to the miserable/ pitiable He is compassionate. For those who listen and read Baba's nectar like teachings, preaching's, astonishing deeds / miracles will definitely understand that He is God Himself.

Madhava Rao Deshpande uraf Shyama has dreamt and worshipped Baba as GURU and GOD. He always used to call Baba as 'Deva' (God), 95 year old Gauli Buva who is devotee of Lord Panduranga Sri Vithhal has pronounced Sai Baba as incarnation of Sri Vithhal. Famous Hari Katha (Stage story enactor) practitioner Sri Dasganu Maharaj described Sri Sai Baba as the creator, protector, destroyer and living GOD. Many of those who know His miracles (Leelas) and greatness, thought Him as Sri Rama, Sri Siva, Sri Anjaneya Swamy (Hanuman) have worshipped Him and attained salvation. Many have identified Him as the king of yoga and

worshipped Him. Muslims have respected Him as one of their peers; Christians have praised Him as a Mahatma like Christ.

There are one or two instances where few people have ridiculed Him by saying Him as a mad fakir / ascetic (Muslim mendicant) and for the sake of a few morsels to fill His stomach He is pretending and begging. But after sometime those who ridiculed Him, realised their mistake and took refuge in Baba. They declared at the top of their voice as He is God incarnate. Whatever people might have thought, the reputation of Baba didn't diminish even a bit. His glory couldn't be stopped from spreading world over. His number of devotees is increasing everyday, was seen then and even now. May the omniscient and omnipresent Sai Baba show mercy on all of us.

Jai Sri Samartha Sadguru Sainath Maharaj Ki Jai!!!
The state of Maharashtra and places in the path of river Godavari, in district Ahmednagar, are most sacred birth place to great yogis like Sant Dyaneshwar. A small village in Kopergaon taluka of that district is Shirdi. Earlier it was used to be called as 'Seeladhi'. This 'Seeladhi' word as people used, in due course of time, got twisted and transformed to Shirdi. This Shirdi is Sai Baba's Samadhi place. Samartha Sadguru Sai Baba flourished in Shirdi like the great devotee Ramoji in Mangalveda, Samartha Ramdas Swamy in Sajjangadh, Sri Narasimha Saraswati in Narsobawadi, Sri Shankarcharya in Kamakothi and Sri Raghavendra in Mantralaya. Baba has made Shirdi pious / holy and improved like what Sant Dyaneshwar had done

to Alandi and Eknath to Paithan. Due to Sri Sainath's presence only Shirdi also became a pilligrimage place and glowing like Kashi, Rameshwar, Prayaga, Badari, Rishikesh, Pandharpur, Puri Jagannath, Tirupati, Srisailam, Sabarimalai and Vijayawada.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 4

Baba's First Appearance in Shirdi

If need to be told by today's standards, undeveloped of all undeveloped villages in those times was Shirdi. That was year 1854, and once in that village, a 16 year old boy suddenly appeared doing penance under one neem tree. Though looking like a boy, he has no desire, bold, supreme spirit, and dispassionate. Not mixing with anyone not perturbed to heat or cold, he used to be alone even during nights. Never answered to the questions of anyone about His place / origin of birth, name etc.

Khandoba temple was there in Shirdi. Occasionally Lord Khandoba used to take possession of the temple priest. Once in such similar situations villagers asked / questioned the temple priest about the young boy. Then Lord Khandoba who took possession of the temple priest, made the villagers dig at one particular place, they found a cave with four lamps lit, along with few rosary beads. Villagers were astonished when Khandoba told them that the boy did penance for 12 years at that place.

16 years boy to have done 12 years penance means the boy should have started doing penance at the age of 4 years.

How does he learned and did penance at that age? This was the doubt to the villagers. To be frank there is nothing to be astonished in this issue. For those incarnated with yogic powers it is not a surprise. What was the age of Dhruva who wished / longed to sit on Sri Maha Vishnu's lap and did severe penance? What was the age of Prahlada who didn't leave devotion to Vishnu bearing all the cruelties done to him by his father? In these issues, only the good deeds of their earlier births are important but not the age. Even though the people of Shirdi persistently questioned the boy, he diverted their mind by saying that in that place his Guru's Samadhi is there, hence the villagers closed the dug portion. All the passers-by used to pay respects to that place treating it as Guru Samadhi. After few days that boy Saint suddenly disappeared.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 5 **Annasaheb Dhabolkar (Hemad Pant)**

Annasaheb Dhabolkar was the writer in chief of Sri Saicharitra. He was born in Thane district of Maharashtra in to an aadigauda Brahmin family in the year 1859. His father, grandfather, grand-grandfather were all self-realised great devotees. Though Sri Dhabolkar did primary education in his native village, but studied English up to 5th form in Pune. Their's was an ordinary family, hence not having much finances. For that reason studies stopped at that point. He joined as school teacher after stopping studies. Having known this one Kulabaji and another Chintamini Chitneela who is working as village Mamalatdar, gave Dhabolkar the job of a village Talati. Later

Dhabolkar also changed to English clerical job. After sometime again he was appointed as head clerk in Mamlatdar office.

Not only that, after some days he joined as employee in forest department. Exactly at that time famine struck in Maharashtra. At that time he was appointed as a special employee at Bharuch in Gujarat. Dhabolkar used to perform his duties with willingness, honesty in whichever job he is in for whatever length of time. He performed job responsibilities with responsibility and regularity.

In 1901 he got a job as Mamlatdar in village Sahapur in Thane district. In another few days he was appointed as 1st class resident –magistrate at Bandra. Dhabolkar was in that job till 1907. After that working in moorbad, Anand and Borsad, he returned back to Bandra in 1910 again as resident magistrate. That job has come as a blessing to him. Exactly in that same year he got the darshan of divine Saibaba.

He retired from the job in 1916, but again did service. Later on he stayed in Shirdi only till Sai took Samadhi having got unlimited and full Sai's grace and dedicated his life in serving Sai. Even after Sai took Maha Samadhi he had managed to run Shirdi Sansthan till his death in 1929 with efficiency & devotion. He has virtuous wife, one son and five daughters. Due to Sai Baba's divine grace and kindness, in his family all were well progressed and happy in all respects.

In 1910 Annasaheb Dhabolkar went to take divine darshan of Baba in the early morning. At that time Baba had washed His face and was trying to grind wheat. Baba kept a jute bag on the floor, placed the stone grinder on it, pouring wheat in it with one hand and turning the grinder with another hand.

Baba kept wheat in a container used for cleaning grains, folded his kurta sleeves. On seeing this Dhabolkar had a doubt. Will Baba make roti with the wheat flour after grinding like this? Baba will eat, by begging for alms, why this flour then? As he was thinking so, few more people gathered there. They also were wandering on seeing this seen of Baba. Dhabolkar thought of asking Baba. But couldn't have the courage so kept quiet. In the mean time large crowd had arrived there and seeing the strange seen. But no one could ask anything. Meanwhile four daring ladies came up the Masjid, pushing Baba aside, they started grinding wheat. People gathered there started talking diversely on seeing this strange seen. The ladies who did the grinding tried to take away the flour. Baba who was keeping control till that time flared up and said that it was not your father's property to take away the flour and ordered them to sprinkle the flour along the village boundaries with respect. On hearing this ladies bent down their heads in shame, and moved away from that place and did as per Baba's order. Cholera had spread in the whole village and to drive it beyond village boundaries and destroying it, Baba has ordered like this "said a few villagers whom Dhabolkar asked, as he didn't understood Baba's actions.

Wheat was not ground but the disease of cholera was ground said villagers. After that the disease of cholera was totally destroyed in Shirdi. Dhabolkar has got an intention to put together the miracles shown by Saibaba as Baba's divine story with Baba's permission and grace. Baba has done the grinding work for approximately 60 years without rest. In that

grinding stone, not only grinding the diseases but also grinding the many bad deeds carried out during many of our earlier births and give relief. In the grinding wheel the bottom stone represents our Karmas (deeds) the top one devotion and the handle pure knowledge. For any one, unless the bad deeds and all desires are destroyed self realisation is not possible. First the ego and the anger should get destroyed. Hemad Pant got the thought of writing Baba's history in his mind, but got an irreplaceable doubt. We can fathom to know the depth of Seven seas! May go round the earth, but will it be possible to write the life story of Sai Baba who has no end, infinite and having brightness of crores of forms? Having this kind of doubt and hesitation Pant tried in many ways to get the divine grace of Baba. Meeting Shyama was one of the parts of those trails. Through Shyama, Hemad Pant asked Baba. Shyama was a follower of Baba. He has lot of devotion, love and faith on Baba, that's why Pant informed his desire to Shyama and made him ask Baba. While attending the needs of Baba Shyama said to Baba that, Hemad Pant wants to write your life story if you permit and give your complete help and advice. He will be happy and will start the work. On hearing this, Baba with heart melted and with grace said that let him write! Tell him that my complete help and cooperation will always be there. He is only an instrument, through him I myself will write my life history / story and fulfil my devotee's desire – said Baba to Shyama. Kakasaheb Dixit and Nanasaheb Chandolkar both are friends to Hemad Pant. That's why they advised him to go to Shirdi, and once have darshan of Baba. But Pant couldn't go due to many

difficulties and obstacles. Over and above Pant's another friend's son got a serious disease though his Guru was there by his side, no benefit was there. On seeing that Pant said, what is the benefit of having Guru, who couldn't help?

After that Nanasaheb came to Bandra and got angry over Hemad Pant. Why did you not go to Shirdi? After that Pant got in to a train at Bandra going to Manmad . Pant having purchased a ticket and sat, one Muslim person came to him, enquired and said, don't get down at Manmad as this train doesn't stop at Manmad. That's why Pant could not reach Shirdi till 10am. Already Kakasaheb Dixit was waiting there for his arrival.

Those days in the year 1910, only Sathe wada was there in Shirdi. The anxiety to have Baba's darshan increased in Pant. Baba was there at the end of Tatyasaheb Noolkar Wada. Having darshan of Sai on arrival and paying obeisance at the Lotus feet of Sai, Pant's heart overflowed with joy, he came to a state of Samadhi (forgetting bodily senses). He paid his gratitude in his mind silently to all those who encouraged him to go to Shirdi.

All the earlier thoughts will change in any one with Baba's divine darshan and the same thing happened to Pant. With the darshan of Baba and with the touch of Baba's Lotus feet, all sins / evil of many births will melt away. With the darshan of Baba the whole creation will appear like the divine form of Baba.

A big argument took place about the need of a 'GURU' between Pant and Babasaheb Bhate in Shirdi. One said that being free birds why should we bow our head to any one

killing our mind, another said that whatever is destined will happen, whatever has to happen will not stop, whether we say yes or no whatever we are supposed to get we will get and not what we are not supposed to get. Like this even though argument went on for 1 hr the issue could not settle. At last they lost mental peace. When the ghost of ego enters the humans this kind of arguments arise in their head.

After that both of them reached the Masjid. On seeing Kakaji, Baba asked as what was the issue in Wada? What happened? What this Hemad Pant was talking? On hearing this Pant got astonished. Wada is quite at a distance from Masjid how did Baba know about our argument? Then Baba must be omniscient, Pant thought like this in his mind. What could be the hidden meaning of Baba calling me as Hemad Pant? That Hemad Pant was a great Scholar, a great poet who had written 'Chaaturdurga Chintamani Raja Prashasti' a king among the gems of writings.

Not only that, he is creator of language called 'MODI'. He is a very great scholar who even invented mathematics in the 'MODI' language. Anna Dhabolkar thought that, Baba called him with the name of such a divine person was only to destroy my ego completely.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 6

Baba gave Hemad Pant His blessing/Assurances in the following:

Hemad Pant, my complete cooperation and blessing will be with you for writing my divine life story (history) /

Biography. You do my work fearlessly and with good heart. Have complete devotion, faith and belief in my each word, while writing my miracles. Then great love and devotion will come like waves in you. Those who float in my miracles will get complete peace and happiness – said Sai Baba. Then looking at Shyama Baba said “one who does my Nama-Japa I will fulfil whatever they desire” and will happily accept the responsibilities / burden of those who keep their responsibilities on Me, I will be in their houses who worship Me with devotion. Hearing all this, Pant said that for, name sake I will be the writer, but the credit of writing goes to Baba. It's the greatness of Baba who made me write this.

The entire credit and respect for writing this Charitra has to go to Him and I have no qualifications for this. I am born in a Gauda Brahmin cast and I have not done any good deeds like study of scriptures or Vedas. I have a great faith that Baba only will arrange everything. Pant has retired from a government job in 1916; he gave the pension what he got for family maintenance and on one Guru poornima day, took Baba's darshan along with other devotees. Sri Anna Chinchineekar who knew well about Pant prayed to Baba to show mercy on Anna Saheb, as the pension he is getting is not sufficient for daily sustenance, and to provide any other support or any other job. On hearing this Baba said - Pant will not have any problem for the food, and it will be complete. Let his mind be on Me. Bad company/friendship will not work and he should leave them, let him pray to Me with all his mind and soul and tell him if he does so I will give him permanent happiness.

Having heard the name, greatness and miracles about Baba one strong man named Rohilla came and was staying in Shirdi. But day and night he was shouting 'Allha ho Akbar' in ear-piercing sound at the top of his pitch. His shouting and screaming's used to cause disturbance to Shirdi people. His shouting caused disturbance to those who worked hard throughout the day and cannot have a happy sleep at night. Though the Shirdi people tolerated this with patience for quite some time, the patience has exhausted and they informed this thing to Baba. Baba made the people quiet, then laughing said – not to tell anything to Rohilla. He has got a quarrelling wife. She keeps nagging and harassing him. That's why he started shouting. After seeing him shouting she stopped troubling him. That means Rohilla didn't have a real wife. His evil thought was his wife. His bad manners only make him shout. Like this Baba informed the Shirdi people.

From that day onwards Rohilla stopped screaming and shouting. Baba liked and loved prayers to God. That's why Baba crushed the bad manners in Rohilla and took only the devotion in his screaming's.

One day after the noon Aarati, addressing His devotees Baba said the following nectar filled sentences – I will know your things whatever and wherever you are, I will know your minds, why because I am the ruler of those minds and I am in everyone's hearts. In all these creatures I am filled and occupied. I am the one who is running this world. Delusion will rule and trouble, those who forget Me. I am there in all the creatures right from ants. My body and that of all creatures is

one and the same and not different. My divine presence will be filled everywhere. That's why relinquish the desire on your body and meditate on Me. Try to attain the wonderful / complete self-realisation. Then only you will become immortal, and will develop uninterrupted meditation as I am Brahman. Like this explained Baba to all the devotees. Though Pant did another government job for some time, later rest of the life Pant had spent in Sai Baba's Sevasadan.

Aum Sri Sainathayanama:

Chapter - 7

Gangapur which is on the banks of River Krishna & Narsimhawadi in Aurangabad are pilgrimage places of repute, Shirdi also has become a great renowned pilgrimage place. Shirdi is on the bank of River Godavari at a distance of 6 miles from Kopergaon in Ahmednagar District. Shirdi has become a place of pilgrimage and divine place, due to good deeds of many births, Shirdi residents became blessed. Shirdi residents are really blessed as they remember Baba, take darshan, having company of Baba and could see Him with their eyes daily. Those people are truly / really pious, listening and enjoy Baba's divine preaching's.

Gauli Buva whose heart is filled with Lord Pandarinath is religious / pious and lived for 100 years. He filled his heart with Baba and worshipped Him with devotion and faith. Before worshipping Baba, he used to first worship foot prints of Lord Pandarinath. One day Gauli Buva's heart overflown with happiness on worshipping Baba, and has said that Lord Pandarinath and you are same! Sai and Pandarinath are

not different from each other. Sai you are the treasurer of compassion to the pitiable, wish fulfilling tree (Kapavruksha) to your devotees. Compassionate to the inanimate. My body is thrilled. My tears of joy tickle from my eyes. Swamy Sai my Baba! Saying so he fell on Baba's feet and wept being over flown in happiness. Baba lifted Him and said – our friendship is not only of the present times but of many births. You are a pious person - saying so Baba consoled him. Baba always used to say “Allah Malik, Allaha is God”. Baba very much liked Bhajans and songs. He liked week long recitation of Nama-Japa much more. That's why one day Baba called Dasganu and asked him to perform week long Nama-Japa. On hearing this Dasganu said to Baba that – they will perform week long Nama-Japa as desired without fail, but requested that Baba & Lord Vitthala should grace them by appearing before them on the concluding day of week long Nama-Japa.

For that Baba has said – definitely your wish will be fulfilled, but the devotes should dedicate their mind by sprinkling their devotion like love of nectar. If did like that devotees can realise that Sri Krishna of Dwaraka&Vitthal of Pandharpur are here in this Masjid itself. No need for anyone to go anywhere. With pure devotion the song of glory should come from the depths of the heart- cautioned Baba.

Not only that, Baba also said to Kaka that Vitthal is a great obdurate fellow. Tries to run away when trying to catch. See that Panduranga Vitthal, and carefully catch hold of Him without running away. When Baba was saying like that, Kaka was simply glaring at Vitthal without even blinking the eyes.

Everyone was surprised /astonished and started moving along, following Kaka. It was about to be evening, Baba's words came to remembrance as Vitthala's photos were brought before eyes. Immediately Kaka purchased one photo and felt very happy.

Bhagavanta Rao is the son of Ksheerasagara. Ksheerasagara was a great devotee, and worshipped Sri Vitthala. Being in total dedication, he travelled to Pandharpur and was spending devoted and life filled with happiness. Bhagavanta Rao had become negligent towards worship and devotion after his father's death. He had not gone to any pilgrim places.

Once he came to take Baba's darshan. On seeing him Baba said – this Bhagavanta Rao's father was liked by Me very much, having complete devotion & faith he used to worship Vitthala. But now Bhagavanta Rao doesn't even offer naivedya. He is subjecting Me and Vitthala to starving. He lost devotion & Trust/confidence. That's why I only have brought him here. I will make him do the rituals like worshipping etc.

Dasganu came to Baba and requested Baba whether he can go to Prayaga for taking bath. Baba with a gentle smile said that bath in Prayaga, Divya Prayaga, Tyaga Prayaga need not be taken by going there only. They are all here only. Do you want to bathe? Those who believe Me / trust Me need not go anywhere. All those rivers will come here. As He was saying so Dasganu begged to be pardoned, by touching Sai's foot prints (Padukas) with his head. That's it, from both the big fingers of both the feet sacred Ganges waters over flown. Dasganu was astonished with happiness and having body hair stood on its

back. He forgot himself in that blissful state, his whole body shivering with bliss, poetry over flown from the bottom of his heart, praising Sai with thousand voices, showering poetry, he dipped his head in the water's of Ganga and was delighted.

Baba was sitting under a Neem tree as a 16 year old boy in Shirdi. He appeared there first like that. Nana's mother, a very aged lady, on seeing Baba said – “Oh! Who this divine, bright, auspicious looking person? He doesn't look like a common man. As she was thinking like this, the village dieties “Khandoba” captured one person of that village. All the villagers reached that place at that time. All the elderly villagers enquired about this boy with diety Khandoba. Khandoba who was in the village priest, has showed them a place and ordered them to dig at that place.

The villagers present there started digging. There they found bricks and a wide stone plate. As per the directions of diety Khandoba, when they shifted that wide stone plate to one side, they found a cavern below that. Entering the cavern and making four steps ahead they found four bright lamps. Not only four lamps, but they could see articles of worship and garlands of Rosary beads. Khandoba told them that, this boy did penance here for 12 years.

Those who heard this went and asked Baba. He said that – this was His Guru's place. His divine Samadhi is here, and the responsibility of protecting it is on Me. Then those who dug that place again covered it as it was before.

One Sri Hari Vinayak Sathe has purchased that Neem tree and the place around that tree. Made a house there to

stay. Constructed a Mandap and beautiful steps around that sacred Neem tree. The devotees used to come there and sit facing north. Not only that, on Thursday's & Friday's the villagers and devotees who reached there used to offer lighted incense sticks to Baba and worshipped Baba and qualified for the grace of Baba.

After some days, Dixit wada was constructed there. Kaka Saheb was a lawyer, he went to England once. Unfortunately in a rail accident his leg got sprained. The sprain didn't subside even after much time. He used many medicines; even then the sprain didn't subside. During that time Nana Saheb Chandorkar met and advised him to go to Shirdi once and take Baba's darshan and all good things will happen to you.

In 1909 Kaka came and met Baba. With Baba's darshan he was happy. Along with my twisted foot, please rectify my twisted mind also, requested Kaka. Baba has rectified his problem. Not only that Kaka laid a foundation stone in Shirdi on 10.12.1910 for a wada, so that many devotees can stay. Baba gave permission to Dadasaheb Khaparde to go to his house. From then on Aarati was started in 'Chavadi'. Whole Dixitwada was completed after due foundations by 1911. Sri Rama Navami celebrations started ever since Dixitwada construction was completed.

Devotee 'Booti' was a crorepati. He lived in Nagpur. He had built a great stone building in Shirdi. In this place Baba Himself had nursed flower plants in the beginning. On His own, He is used to seed and watered the plants. Because of Baba's divine grace only, three great excellent wada's were built.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamah:

Chapter – 8

Chandpatil a Muslim was living in Aurangabad. He belongs to “Dhoop” village. Once he was travelling by his horse and going to Patil, and in between he lost his horse on the way. He searched for it for two months, but couldn't find it. At last, keeping the horse's saddle on his shoulder and going back, in between he stopped after coming to mango tree. There he saw a divine personality with a hat, long robes and cloth around his head and trying to smoke a cigar pipe under the shade of the tree.

He saw Chandpatil, called him to come and sit, gave him the cigar pipe to smoke and enquired about the zeal on his shoulders. Chandpatil told Him the thing. Your horse has not gone anywhere, go and search along the canal, said the divine personality. Chandpatil went and called by his horse's name while searching for it. Surprisingly he saw the horse grazing and felt very happy.

The person I saw is not an ordinary person, but a Siddha and having mystical powers. Thinking so, Chandpatil brought his horse along with him and came to divine personality / Fakir. By the time Patil reached, the cigar pipe was ready. There is no water to rinse the cloth and no fire to light the cigar pipe. For that the fakir pressed His baton to the ground, and water and fire came from that. He rinsed the cloth in water and lit the cigar with the fire. Seeing that Chandpatil was wonder struck. He requested and prayed fakir to come to his house and sanctify his house. Respecting the request of

Chandpatil fakir went to his house and stayed there for some time. After that, as Patil was to attend to the marriage related works of his wife's brother he started back to Shirdi. Patil took the fakir also with him. The stay for the marriage party was in Malhasapati's field. They stayed under the tree near Khandoba temple in Shirdi. All have arrived. Fakir also got down. Malhasapati is a good devotee. Has faith in God. On seeing fakir, he came in front of him and addressed with respect, as please come in 'SAI' and invited Him with devotion. From then onwards everyone started calling fakir as SAI.

Already by that time, there the Hindu-Muslim religious conflict was at feverish pitch and beyond limits. For many years there a Yogi named Devidas was staying. Baba has a great relation with him. One Janakidas also used to come to Baba. Baba used to fill two un-backed earthen pots with water, bring them on His shoulders, watered the flower plants and grow. Sometimes a baniya yogi named Pumatambe used to come to Shirdi. On seeing Baba in His usual style of watering the plants and said that - "This Shirdi due to the touch of the feet of that wonderful and divine personality will become a great pilgrimage centre in future and a world renowned / famous place. Like that Akkalkot Maharaj's favourite disciple Anandnath also came to the darshan of Baba. On seeing Baba he also said to the Shirdi people that - Baba is a precious gem to Shirdi people, divine gem, you will know His greatness in future.

Like a good wrestler, Baba used to grow long hair. Rahat is about 3 miles distance from Shirdi. Baba used to go

there and come back. A devotee of Sri Akkalkot Maharaj used to worship Sri Maharaj's photo daily. His intention in the mind was to go to Akkalkot village in Solapur district and do Sri Guru Maharaj's paduka poojan.

But in his dreams his Guru appeared, and said that – now I am in Shirdi and perform Paduka pooja there only, he took Baba's darshan, worshiped Baba, stayed there for 6 months, got Baba's Paduka made and got them placed under the neem tree in 1912 by worthy persons like Upasanebaba and Dada Kelkar in a traditional manner did Sri Sai Paduka poojan.

For the daily worship of those padukas, a great devotee named Dixit was being arranged. Not only that, also appointed Sagun Mayor as Director. In Shirdi Sagun Mayor Naik and Dixit met Dr. Rama Rao Kothari and his compounder who are residents of Mumbai. Thought of installing padukas under neem tree. Later Dr. Upasane from Mumbai discussed with Maharaj and then mixed Shank Chakra and Lotus and made him write a sloka. Before installing the padukas Dixit took those padukas on his head with devotion, and brought from Khandoba temple to Dwarakamayee in procession, showed them to Baba. Baba then touched and blessed them with His nectar like, most sacred sanctified divine hands, saying that these are the Foot Prints of God and ordered that they should be installed under the neem tree. Pastaseth has sent Rs.25/= from Mumbai, Baba handed over the money so received in installing Padukas.

Aum Sainathayanamha:

Chapter – 9

A person named 'Mohinuddin Tambaoli' used to do more wrestling. Actually in Shirdi these wrestling competitions used to be there regularly. Tamboli used to participate in them. Due to some reasons Baba seems do not like his face. Baba lost to him in wrestling bout. After that defeat Baba adopted change in His clothing pattern. Used to tie a big cloth around the head and loins, and wore a long shirt. There is no happiness in riches & comforts but happiness is in being poor, said Baba. God will be friendlier with poor rather than rich - said Baba. Baba didn't used to mix with groups of people. Usually Baba used to sit under the neem tree. Baba has great love for Babasaheb Dengal. Though Nana had two wives, when there were no issues to him, he took shelter in Baba and Nana got a male child. Knowing this, the people started coming to take Baba's darshan. Whenever we see, there used to be groups of people around Baba. Baba used to sleep in the Masjid only. It was an old Masjid and became Baba's empire. In that, one wooden baton, cigar pipe, one tin container and Tobacco used to be there. Baba used to tie a cloth to the head and tied like knot at the back side. Also Baba used to keep the dirt ridden cloth on the head for weeks together, and didn't wash the clothes. Baba used to sit in south-east corner, in front of the fire facing south.

Baba used to offer devotees desires, ego, bad deeds in the fire (Dhuni). Baba used to say always as “Allaha is God, Allaha Malik”. In the year 1912 some renovations done to the Masjid. There only Baba sang songs wearing anklets, and Baba danced very well.

Baba liked lighting of lamps very much, with more fondness and love. Obtaining oil from the traders, Baba used to light the lamps in Masjid from that. There was a change in the attitude of oil traders who used to donate oil to Baba, in course of time they all become united and stopped donating oil to Baba. They thought that, Baba can't light the lamps if they don't give oil to Him. But, Baba kept the wicks in the lamp pot's, poured water from His Tin container thinking it to be oil and lit the lamps brightly. Seeing this and observing hiding behind, all the traders were stunned, they all came and fell on Baba's feet and begged for His pardon.

A person named 'Jahwar' came with lot of pride along with all his disciples from Ahmednagar to Rahat near Shirdi. Looking to his pomp and show all the villagers respected him. He can recite the whole of Quran very well. From Rahat he reached Shirdi. He camped in Masjid along with Baba. Not only that, he spread the news in the whole village, that Baba was his disciple. Baba kept quiet even though He knew this. Over and above 'Jahwar' used to take Baba to Rahat. Every day Baba used to shuttle from Rahat to Shirdi and Shirdi to Rahat. Shirdi people didn't like this. One day they met Baba in Rahat and told Him that all of us don't like you to come to Rahat and staying. From that Baba said – He was a very angry person and he will not leave me, before he comes you all go to Shirdi. He came in the mean time. These people brought both Guru and disciple to Shirdi.

One day Devidas, brought out the news of declaring Guru. Baba came to Shirdi at the age of 12 years. Devidas was very

knowledgeable, good looking and intelligent. Taty Patil, Kashinath Shimpi and others have agreed Devidas as Guru. That time only Jahwar Ali & Devidas had an argument over scriptures and Ali having got defeated ran away to Bijapur. After many long years, he begged pardon from Baba and reached at Baba's feet. This incident details 'to leave the ego and serve Guru' on daily basis.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 10

Gopala Rao Goond was working as C I of Police in Kopargaon. He has tremendous devotion and faith in Baba. Though he had three wives, he didn't have any issues from any of them. Atlast, after receiving Baba's grace, they got one male child. For that reason, he thought of celebrating “Urusu” mahostav in Shirdi.

Madhavarao Deshpande, Dada Kote Patil were Sai devotees. When told this to them they felt very happy. They informed this to Baba and got His blessing. In the year 1897, with Baba's blessing they went to the district collector with the petition, obtained permissions from him, after that, exactly on the Sri Rama Navami day on which day Baba ordered to celebrate the Urusu festival for that day all arrangement were started. Everyone is happy for the fair being celebrated. But there is no provision of water. One well get dried-up, the other one has salty water. Baba heard these problems from devotees, put a few flowers in that salty watered well and with His miraculous

power, made that water into sweet drinkable water. Even then as the water was not sufficient, Tayta Patil arranged for water from long distance.

Friendship bloomed between Gopalarao Goond and Ahmednagar resident Anna Kasar. With blessing of Baba Damu Anna Kasar got a male child for that reason he got a flag prepared. Dada Saheb Nimonkar had built a vatika. Baba named the Masjid where has was staying as Dwarakamayee.

With the blessing and permission of Baba the celebrations of Sri Rama Navami & Urusu were happily performed. At the same time devotees Ameersakkar & Dilal started the sandal wood celebrations. This was done only for great Fakirs by great Mahammadans. With big sized sandal paste in a plate, carrying that plate on the head, and with Sambrani smoke emitting out from all the foursides, with auspicious musical notes this celebration used to be done.

First going round the whole village and then coming to the Masjid, applying sandal paste beautifully to all four walls and to the shelf there. Like this for three years Ammer Sakkar carried out this celebration with responsibility. After that his wife did this. The speciality in this celebration is in the day time Hindu's flag festival and night Muslims Sandal celebration. For those doing it looks very cute. There is a meaning of salvation in this celebrations carried out by Baba. Baba's inner intension is to make aware the Hindus & Muslims that Ram-Raheem are one.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 11

In Shirdi Sri RamaNavami celebration has been carried out with much enthusiasm than any other celebration. Devotees, thousands in number participate in this celebration by offering the flowers of their pure hearts. This festival is being happily celebrated together by both Hindus & Muslims. While the household works were taken care by Radhakrishna Maaye, and Tatyapa Kote Patil while relentlessly uttering Baba's divine name, did the outside works with devotion.

Her house was filled with crowd of devotees. On that day when Baba slept in the Chavadi of Masjid, she got the walls white washed and cleaned the place. Baba liked to do annadanam to the poor. That's why on that celebration day Radhakrishna Maaye used to get prepared different food items, sweets and stored them. This celebration which was initiated by Sri Sai Baba was enthusiastically and successfully carried out by poor, indigent and rich working together.

From 1897 till 1911 Sri Rama Navami & Urusu celebrations were taking place with devotion. A person named Krishna Rao Jogeshwar Bhishma wrote Sri Sainatha Sagunopasana book with devotion. He along with Dadasaheb Khaparde came to see Sri Ramanavami – Urusu celebrations, enjoyed it and said to Kaka - “Kaka it would be great if we celebrate Sri Rama's birthday celebration also along with Sri Rama Navami – Urusu celebrations”. To this both Kakajani &

Radhakrishna Maaye felt happy and informed this to Baba. Baba gave permission. Devotees had decorated the Masjid neatly and Radhakrishna Maaye gave the cradle. The cradle was tied in front of Baba's sitting place.

Baba came to the Masjid starting from Lendi garden. With Baba's blessings, Mahajani brought two flower garlands from a shelf attached to the Masjid walls and garlanded Bhishma. Devotees started spraying coloured powder. That powder fell in Baba's eyes. Baba started shouting in anger. Seeing this some devotees who were afraid ran away. Few near and close devotees, who knew that they were not shouts out of anger, but blessings, remained silent.

Sainath is 'Sai Ram', 'Sai Ramudu' that is why, thinking it was Sairam's birthday everyone felt happy and joyful. Whenever any new celebration / ceremony is about to start it's a habit for Baba to get angry like this. After that He will become calm and take the devotees close to Him. Then also it happened in the same way. All the devotees came and sat around Him. The Pooja / worship / Aarati were completed. After that Mahajani wanted to untie the cradle, but Baba cautioned him and asked him to keep it as it is. Baba said there is still work with that cradle. Baba got Krsihnajayanti celebrated with cradle.

From 1913 onwards large number of devotees, used to take part in Sri Rama Navami celebrations and with Baba's divine blessings, they used to conduct in a grand manner. Radhakrishna Maaye gets weeklong Nama Sankeertana done. At that time the availability of story tellers become difficult for

Baba. The reason being, on the same day Sri Rama Navami festival being celebrated at many places. Mahajani brought Bababuva Mali to Shirdi who was like a replica of Sant Tukaram. He was a good singer. In 1914, he only performed the Harikatha on Rama Navami day.

Baba had given responsibility of doing Harikatha on Rama Navami day to Dasganu Maharaj. The Haridas also on each day of celebrations told a new story as Harikatha and made Baba happy. Later on he was felicitated by the devotees. Due to the celebrations, Shirdi also developed greatly. Distribution of free food for the poor was done satisfactorily. As recognition to the pure heart, devotion, benediction, kindness, grace of Radhakrishna Maaye, Shirdi has become a Sansthan.

Due to free flow of Baba's blessings, grace, benedictions in Shirdi many things like horses, chariots, carriages, cradles, utensils, silver, gold items devotees used to offer during celebrations. Elephants also used to come during the time of celebrations. Approximately a lakh of devotees used to take part in the celebrations with devotion and dedication and with Baba's divine power and greatness.

Gopalarao Goond who performed Urusu celebration has got an idea to repair Masjid and make it new. For that he brought the stones and got slates made of them. He didn't get Baba's permission. Malhasapati requested Baba and at last convinced Him. Without causing inconvenience to Baba, in only one night, the slates were fixed in the Masjid floor, when Baba slept in the Chavadi. A bed was made ready for Baba to sit from that day.

He also did some Mandap construction works in 1911, without Baba's consent. Spending much money he was getting iron pillars fabricated by welding in the little space available in front of Masjid. Looking to that Baba became furious, and with anger removed and threw them with one hand and with the other hand Baba caught hold of Taty Patil's throat. Baba's eyes had become blood red. Pulling away Patil's Turban (head gear) lit fire and burned it. The devotees there on seeing Baba, got shivering and frightened with fear. No one dares to try and release Taty's throat from Baba's hands. Bhaggoji who was suffering from eccentricity came and pushed Baba aside bravely. He was a great devotee. At that same time when Madhavrao came forward and Baba pelted stones at him. Baba didn't calm down for a long time. Later Baba purchased Turban with Zari and decorated Taty by Himself. Everyone was astonished at this strange deed. Too much anger too much calmness are Baba's divine traits. He only knows the hidden meaning in them.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 12

Through Taty Patil, Baba used to get all the temples like Maha Ganpati – Sanaishchar – Maruti – village deity repairs done with the money offered by devotees. From that fund only, He used to spend for everything. Understanding individual's requirement Rs. 10-20, 15-50 were given by Baba. Baba always sat in meditation in front of the fire (Dhuni). Sometimes Baba didn't take bath for a week.

Sometimes took bath daily and kept Himself clean. Baba used to wear white cloth to head, Dhoti & Kurta. During that time Baba used to treat the patients. With the touch of Baba's hands any kind of disease used to get cured. One devotee's eyes used to be projected and bulged. Baba got them cured with black cashew nuts treatment. He crushed the black cashew nuts, pasted the same to the eyes, tied the eyes with cloth and made the eyes normal by next day. Devotees first afraid seeing that treatment. Seeing his eyes becoming good they were astonished.

Not only medical treatment, but Baba used to do all other acts. Baba was expert in Khanda yoga, Dhanti, meditation and all these. There was a Baniyan tree at some distance from Masjid. There was a well there. There only Baba used to wash his face, take bath etc. there only Baba used to take out his intestines, washed with water, cleaned and dried the intestines on a black plum tree nearby. Baba Used to keep His body parts in Masjid. This was called as Khanda yoga. Once one devotee saw those intestines & bones and thought that somebody had cut Baba to pieces and being afraid to inform anyone as one may think him as the culprit, ran away to his house, though he thought of informing to the village munisif. Next day when he again came to the Masjid he saw Baba as usual sitting and was more astonished. Baba's miracles were many many and not this much not that much. Baba used different treatment methods for all diseases. With the touch of Baba's hands many patients' diseases got cured and became healthy. His decision was to give relief to those who come with pain. Not only that sometimes

Baba used to take those diseases up on Him.

On one Dipavali day Baba was putting fire wood in the sacred fire (dhuni). At that time red flames were leaping up from that fire. Baba put His hand in the fire instead of firewood. Baba's hand got burned severely. Seeing that Madhavrao Deshpande came running to Baba and pulled Him back. When asked as what is this Baba, why did you do like this? Baba came back in to this world and said "From here at a far off place one black smith's wife, on hearing her husbands call got up to attend the call, but forgot about the small kid in her lap, which slipped in to that blowing fire. In attempting to save that child from that furnace of black smith, I put my hands. Though my hands are burned that child is safe, for me that is enough. Hearing this news Nana Saheb from Mumbai, came with a reputed doctor along with him. Baba refused treatment from that doctor. Though Nana pleaded Baba so much, He didn't show His hand to the doctor. Over and above from Bhagoji (a lunatic patient) Baba had one leaf covering His hand and bandaged. No one need to do anything, my doctor is Allah, His nectar like glance on me is enough said Baba firmly. That doctor took Baba's blessings and went away. Great devotee Bhagoji used to do bandage to Baba every day. In some days the wound healed. Even then Bhagoji was doing massage to the hand with ghee and was doing seva to that hand but didn't leave that hand.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 13

Baba Saheb's legally wedded wife along with her small baby boy came from Amaravati to Shirdi to offer seva to Baba. After coming there, the child got fever, the intensity of fever increased and later turned in to plague. She got frightened and thought of going back to her village and requested permission from Baba. Mother the sky is full of clouds. It won't be there for much time. It will go with the wind, saying like this, asked her to look at sky by raising His hands. At that time the upper coat which Baba were moved a bit and she could see 4 big boils of plague and she was astonished/surprised the child got cured. Those boils rose on Baba's body. Like this Baba used to take up on Him the devotees pains, bearing all the pains Himself gave relief to devotees.

Nanasaheb Chandorkar was working as Mamlatdar in Nandurbar. He is a great devotee of Baba. He got transferred to Pandharpur. He has to join duty there at the earliest. Even earlier than that he should reach Shirdi and take Baba's darshan. His heart felt very much like this. None of the devotees in Shirdi knew this. Nanasaheb reached Neemgaon to come to Shirdi. In Masjid, Malhasapati – Appashinde – Kashiram and few others were gossiping. 'The temple doors of Pandharpur are open, we will sing Pandharinath's songs, will do Bhajana's, thinking like that they started songs & Bhajans. The Meaning in Baba's song – I should go to Pandharpur, there I will stay, and it's my place of stay – place of stay. But the devotees didn't like to sing like that and took back. Even then Baba sang. Exactly at that time Nana along with his family came, fell on the divine,

auspicious feet of Baba and prayed that – I got posting to Pandharpur, you also should be there with me. On hearing this devotees understood the meaning of Baba's song and were astonished.

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Whole Shirdi is a forest. To be frank the people living around doesn't know the name of the village. In that village, with the touch of the Lotus feet of Sri Sai Baba who is worshiped in the three worlds has become a very big pilgrim centre. Alas!! How fortunate are those residents? Like Lord Shiva, Baba came to their houses with a begging bowl and they happily offered alms, this happened not only due to their earlier births merits, but as an effect of meritorious deeds of many births. There is a lot of divine hidden meaning in Baba asking for 'Mother – Alms, Mother – Alms', though He can give alms to all the people and the seven worlds. Baba used to take away the ill deeds of devotees by seeking them in the form alms. With a container made of Tin sheet and with a hanging bag on shoulders, Baba used to beg for alms. The people there gave alms to that person who can give anything and got many riches. Buttermilk, soup like items was collected in the metal container; Rice & Roti were collected in the bag by Baba. After distributing to all from these, and whatever left out, Baba used to mix everything in to a ball and ate it. Baba doesn't know the taste. Same way there was no fixed time and occasion for begging alms. Sometimes He used to go for alms ten times in a day and sometimes only once. It was

all as per the wish of Baba. Baba used to give the alms obtained by begging to those who had belief in Him and stayed with Him. Dogs, Cats, Crows, not just one any living being / creature which is around Him including the ants used to take the items brought by Baba.

In Taty's mother Baijabai's heart Baba is fully filled as her child. There was a jungle at a distance of 4 miles to Shirdi. Baba used to go there, sit and used to be in a state of deep meditation. Not caring for the thorns, stones, bushes on the way, Baijabai used to go there and serve Roti & Curry to Baba and after Baba ate she used to come back. Not only making Baba eat food, but she used to prostrate at the divine feet of Baba and offer and handover pranamams. When she saw Baba, she had feeling that Baba is her child, and to Baba she is like His mother. Like this, they only knew the affection and relation and what is the meaning in that. Baba is God and she was born for a cause, felt all other people. Looking to her affection, Baba paid His gratitude till end. For Baijabai and her son Taty Patil, Baba is God incarnate. She was there till the end when Baba took His Samadhi / Maha Samadhi. Realising her devotion and wish to avoid her coming daily to the jungle and taking food served by her, Baba felt bad and stayed in Masjid only. Taty Kote Patil, Malhasapati and Baba moved very closely. Baba considered both of them as His two eyes. Truly Patil and Malhasapati are so fortunate to have been with Baba playing, singing and talking. Not only that Baba used to sleep along with them with their head to the east, west and north and legs touching to one another. Three of them used to spend time talking till midnight.

For Fourteen years Taty slept in the Masjid with Baba. After his father's death Taty slept in his house.

Chandrabhanusen was a resident of "Rahata". He used to love Baba too much. After him, Baba took care of his son Kushal Chand with love. Once Baba went to Rahata for Kushal Chand. On seeing Baba's arrival the villagers came along with auspicious musical sounds, prostrating before Him performed worship. Rahata on the south and Neemgaon on the North were at equal distance to Shirdi. After entering Shirdi for the second time, Baba didn't go to any other place other than those two places. Baba didn't get on to a rail or bus. Except to those two places Baba didn't like to move to any other place.

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One day Patil came to Baba, saying that he need to go quickly to the market to Kopargaon in a tanga, should I go and come, give me permission & blessings. Baba advised him to take Madhavrao Deshapande with him if so urgent, don't go alone, or wait for some time and then go, don't hurry, have some patience and go. Because of their closeness with Baba, Patil didn't care to hear for Baba's words and went. After crossing Shirdi, the Tanga took to pace, horses went berserk and derailed the Tanga. As Patil had the grace and blessings of Baba, he escaped with few wounds and the danger was averted.

A European on hearing Baba's fame came to Shirdi from Mumbai with a letter written by Nanasaheb. The devotees

made special arrangements to him. He thought of paying Pranams to Baba by kneeling on his knees and kiss Baba on His forehead. But Baba didn't allow him to come even in to His Masjid. He felt insulted at this, and thought of leaving Shirdi and requested Baba for permission to go away. On hearing this devotees said to him to obey Baba's orders and go the next day. Even then not caring for any bodies' words or Baba's orders, he travelled on a Tanga, which later on met with accident, injured severely and admitted to hospital in Kopergaon.

There are Five Rules for house holders. One crushing, second Grinding, third sweeping/brooming, fourth washing utensils / dishes and like that fifth – lighting fire (Stove). Because of these and the work we do with these things many creatures and insects get killed without our knowledge. So to get rid of / wipe of these sinful deeds one has to perform one – Brahma Yagnyam. Second – Study of Vedas, third – Atithi Yagnyam, fourth – Pitru Yagnyam and fifth – Bhoota Yagnyam. By doing this one gets relieved from the sinful acts and gets qualified to obtain self realisation and liberation.

Baba used to remind the Shirdi residents about this and Baba advised them as those who can't get rid of sinful acts by performing Yagnya (Sacrifice) should give in alms their sinful acts, disease & illness and used to go like Lord Eshwar with a begging bowl for alms. Every Shirdi resident used to come forward to give alms to Baba. But Baba used to ask only those from whom He wanted to ask for alms. From some, Baba used to ask for money. If Baba has asked means He is driving away their sins. Like this the Shirdi residents are very fortunate to have

Baba's support and back-up. Though Babasaheb Tarkhed was an ordinary devotee, he is very loving to Baba. During summer holidays Tarkhed asked his wife and son to go to Shirdi for seva. His son declined to go thinking that his father may not do Baba's worship properly in the house. Tarkhed gave a word that he will not neglect Baba's worship and he will worship well. Mother and son reached Shirdi. Tarkhed did Baba's worship well, but one day he forgot offering Prasadam, went out and after returning he realised and felt guilty. This incident he wrote to his son. It was Tuesday. Exactly at that time, when the noon aarati was about to start in Shirdi, Baba said to Tarkhed's wife that 'Mother I went to your house in Bandra wishing to eat something; since I didn't get anything there I came back. She didn't understand Baba's words. But his son understood that his father did miss something in the worship. Immediately he wrote a letter to his father. He requested permission from Baba to go to Bandra. In the mean time the letter written by his father was received. Then everybody understood the meaning of Baba's words.

Raghuveera Bhaskara Purandare was coming to Shirdi along with his wife, Atmaram's wife who thought of cooking Brinjal fry and Brinjal curd chutney and serve to Baba, came with two big brinjal, giving it to them requested to cook, and serve to Baba on their behalf. Coming to Shirdi and when she cooked and served to Baba the brinjal curd Chutney, Baba said that this is very tasty, but when Baba asked her where is the brinjal fry? She said that she didn't prepare. Even then, Baba hurried her to cook the brinjal fry and had it. He got that brinjal fry served to all others there and satisfied. Baba is omniscient

and will not allow any shortfall in any ones desires, and will not allow anyone to get disappointed. Devotees felt astonished as Baba fulfilled the wish of Atmaram's wife in this way.

In December 1915, 'Balaram Mankar' started to Shirdi to perform his father's funeral rites. Knowing this Atmaram's wife sent "Pedha" with him for Baba. He reached Shirdi and met Baba, but forgot to bring Pedha for Baba. Knowing this Baba in the evening asked him as what he has brought for him. I brought nothing said Balaram. "What is that? For me Atmaram's wife had sent Pedhas and you say nothing", questioned Baba. Then Balaram fell on Baba's feet and begged to forgive his mistake. Baba is all pervading. He knows everything.

Once Tarkand's wife stayed in a house in Shirdi. She cooked and served food to all. In the meantime one dog came there wagging its tail. She gave a Roti to it. That dog ate that Roti and happily went away, wagging its tail. That evening when she came to the Masjid, Baba Said – Mother you had served me food and made Me happy mother. To this she was surprised. Oh! When did I serve you food Baba said she? Mother sitting in this Masjid I won't lie. Always good happen to you. Blessing like this, when he said to her that "you had given the Roti to the dog with so much affection" everyone was surprised and happy.

In the beginning Baba used to sleep normally, but later on His sleep used to be wonder. Once Nanasaheb brought a plank 4" long and 4" wide for Baba to sleep on it. Not directly sleeping on that, Baba tied four torn cloth pieces to the four sides of the plank, hanged it like a cradle / swing and slept on it.

It's astonishing / surprise that those four cloth pieces could carry the weight of that stout wooden plank, more surprising is that Baba slept on the plank, giving further more weight to the four cloth pieces. Even then those cloth pieces didn't break, which is more surprising / happiness and wonder to all the devotees. Not only that, Baba used to lit four lamps and kept in the four corners of that plank throughout the night in that little space. How Baba, who has big physique, went up the plank tied with delicate cloth pieces, adjusting and sleeping? With such kind of doubts many people used to come to see this wonder. Baba didn't like it; hence He removed the plank, broke and threw it in the sacred fire (Dhuni).

Baba never told to the devotees about, who were His parents, when & where He was born. As such Baba came to Shirdi when He was 16 years. Three years He stayed in Shirdi, then after He went away and came back to Shirdi and got down from the cart with Chand Patil's marriage party at the age of 20 years. Then 60 years He had shown as a great divine power in Shirdi. He attained Maha Samadhi in 1918. From this if we estimate His age, and then we can guess Him to be born in 1838. Some people posing as Guru's grab lot of money in the name of teaching mantras to disciples. Baba used to say that a Guru is a servant, who at all times & circumstances bear the burden of disciples. "Leave your burden on Me I will bear" said Baba.

Nanavali is a close associate devotee of Baba. He used to be there and personally conducted all the needs and works of Baba. Such a person, on one day came to Baba and said to Baba that "You get down from the Seat, I will sit now". Then Baba got

up and Nana sat on it for some time. The Masjid was fully packed with devotees. Nana's deeds brought anger to all the devotees. Nana got down from the seat, with a gentle smile and made Baba to sit again on the seat, prostrated to Baba and went away. For Baba Nana means His five Prana's (Life forces). On the 13th day of Baba's Mahasamadhi, Nana also breathed his last and merged in Baba. Baba never made any one as His disciple. All were His devotees. Baba used to say that "Allaha will look after everything, just say SaiSai" Guru is only to carry the burden, but no need of disciples to serve or service to Guru, used to say Baba.

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Baba described about the 'Atman' which Vedas, Shastras and Upanishads could not describe. Baba says I am Rama & Krishna how lucky the devotees, those who had physically seen and worshipped Him. We are also of good fortune. Baba is talking to us from His Mahasamadhi. Not only that, He preached that His complete grace will be on them in those Houses where His photograph will be there. Therefore reciting Baba's name, remembering Baba's picture in the mind and heart, singing divine songs of Baba's name is enough for us. Some used to do make-up for Baba, some used to sing songs, others used to serve, and some used to offer eatables to Baba. Baba never said no to any one's service of any kind.

Dr. Pandit is good friend of Tatyasahab. Dr. Pandit came for Baba's darshan prostrated to Him and when he sat

there for some time, Baba told him to go to Dada Bhatt Kelkar. When Pandit went, Dada Bhatt treated him with respect.

After that when Kelkar started to go to Baba with articles of worship Dr. Pandit also followed him. Only Malhasapati used to apply Sandalwood paste to Baba's throat. Dr. Pandit applied Sandalwood paste on Baba's forehead. Baba felt very happy. When everyone serving Baba in the evening time Dada Bhatt asked Baba as – “Baba if we apply Sandal paste to your forehead, you used to shout, could not tolerate, but when this Pandit applied Sandal paste as three-punda shape how is that you just smiled and kept quiet”? For this Baba said, that he saw his Gurubrahma in Me and the great devotion he has on his Guru, I felt happy and thrilled how could I say no? His devotion was untainted. Then Pandit also said he saw His Guru in Baba, so I did like that.

Sometimes Baba used to happily accept the worship. Sometimes stood like Lord Narasimha and throw away articles of worship. Devotees used to run away with fear. Again Baba used to calm down and blessed the devotees. Siddhik Palke is a Muslim. After going to Makka-Madina he came to Shirdi. Though he stayed in Shirdi for 9 months he didn't get Baba's grace. Some devotees told him to meet /see Madhavrao Deshapande. When Palke went and requested Madhavrao, he came to Baba and told him the issue. He told Baba that the old man Palke is thirsty/restless to have your grace and also asked Baba as why is He not allowing Palke in to Misjid and allowing rest of all. If Allah's is not giving permission what can I do? - said Baba. Palke after hearing that reply from Madhavrao, said that

whatever is left over in the utensils for cooking by Baba is enough for me. When Baba heard this He became angry and attacked him. What are you thinking about Me? Has Quran taught you only this? Or you are proud of seeing Makka-Madina? Saying so, as Baba got angry and attacked overhim;Shaji got shivering at Baba's anger.

After that, Baba took him under His wings, bought and gave him mangoes, gave him Rs. 55/- counting one by one. Later joined him as one of the members of His Sansthan. Shaji's happiness has no bounds. Baba's darshan, love and affection have made him very happy.

One evening Shirdi village was hit by severe wind and a cyclone raged. Thunder – lightning – severe rain had frightened the villagers. Protection was not available from any Gods. All the people surrendered to Baba. Baba looking at the sky then said – “become calm! Reduce your severity! Oh! Monster Cyclonic storm go back”! As He said so, calmness prevailed over there. All the people prostrated to Baba.

Like that, when fire raged in the 'Sacred Fire' and has a danger of Masjid caught up in flames all the villagers ran away with fear. Then with His baton Baba strongly struck the pillar standing by His side, saying 'Reduce – reduce – it's enough – it's enough', reduce your intensity, people are afraid', then the fire in the 'Sacred Fire place' calmed down and came back to its normal state. People there praised Baba and paid their namaskar / obeisance.

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Learning that 'Gokulasthmi celebrations' are conducted well in Shirdi by Baba, Kaka came to Shirdi from Mumbai and took Baba's darshan. Baba asked him as when he is returning back to Mumbai? Kaka said to Baba that – whenever you say to go back to Mumbai, then I will go. If so go tomorrow itself. Not neglecting Baba's order Kaka reached Mumbai and went to office. There his owner was looking forward for his arrival. As the manager was ill, and due to the absence of the manager that work was to be done by Kaka. That's why the owner had sent a letter to Shirdi, requesting Kaka to come back immediately. Baba had sent back Kaka, before that letter reached Shirdi itself. That letter came back to Mumbai from Shirdi. Astonished in his mind itself, Kaka paid his gratitude to Baba. Kaka understood that Baba being omnipresent, knows everything beforehand. That's why He keeps His devotees always alert.

Bapusaheb Dhumal who earned great name as lawyer once on his way to Niphad court, stopped at Shirdi as it is in the midst of the way. He was to go after having Baba's darshan. Baba told him to stay there for a week and then go. He did like that and went. There the Magistrate got stomach pain and the case got postponed for the week. Not only that, the case went on for another 4 months and finally Dhumal won the case. Devotees should know that there is a hidden meaning in whatever Baba says.

Nanasaheb Nimonkar, a great Sai devotee and respected Magistrate, came along with his wife and stayed in

Shirdi for a long time. Nana's wife got a desire to see and spend some time with their son and relatives in Belapur. There her son has been suffering from severe disease. This thing Baba also knew. That's why Baba has sent her to spend sometime happily in Belapur, though her husband was saying no. Baba easily recognises the inner desires, and fulfils those desires of the devotees.

Mule Shastri, a Nasik resident had studied all the scriptures. He also acquired good knowledge in palmistry. Knowing that Bapu sahib was in Shirdi, and having some work with him, Shastri came to Shirdi and reached Masjid for Baba's darshan. Spending His money, Baba was distributing mangoes and other eatables to all at that time. Separating the seed and juice from mango by squeezing, Baba was putting one fruit in each one's hands. Banana skin He was keeping and the pulp He was giving to devotees.

At that time Shastri tried to look at Baba's hand, but not allowing him to see his hand Baba gave him only pulp, after that every one moved towards wada. On the way Baba told devotees that "to arrange red coloured clothes for Him that day". Baba went to Lendi garden and came back. When Butti asked Shastri if he is coming for noon aarati, no I will come in the evening said Shastri. Baba wore the red coloured clothes and sat on the divine throne. Noon aarati has started.

Baba called Butti and asked him to bring daskshina from Shastri. Butti came and informed Shastri. Why should I give daskshina to Baba? Am I His disciple? I am an orthodox Brahmin. He may be a great person, even then why should I

give? Though thinking arrogantly and egoistically like this in mind, Butti a millionaire has come and asked, and Baba has sent the message, so not to be able to neglect both of their words, Shastri went to Masjid along with Butti. He had thrown flowers on Baba standing outside only, having a doubt that by going inside he may become impure. But Shastri has seen in Baba his Guru Gholap swami who died many years back, Shastri at once went, fell on Baba's feet and urged for His pardon. Shastri's happiness has no bounds, who saw his Guru in Baba. All forms are of Baba's! Everywhere Baba and in everything is Sai.

Mamlatdar called his friend Doctor to come along with him to Shirdi. I am a devotee of "Rama", I am a worshipper of 'Rama' I being that kind of a person, I bowing to a Muslim! I will not come said Doctor. OK! Even if you come to Shirdi don't bow to Baba, just come as an escort to me, that's it said Mamlatdar. And in Shirdi, that Doctor only first fell on Baba's feet and bowed to Baba, on seeing Baba. Mamlatdar was surprised. Then the doctor said, he saw Rama in Baba that's why I bowed to Sri Rama.

After that, again when his friend came and asked Doctor to come to Masjid, I will not come to Masjid! I will come only when I see any miracles or grace and sat down adamantly, doctor's friend brought him to Masjid by force. Looking to doctor, Baba asked, Oh! Doctor I have not shown you any miracles or grace, even then by whose forcing you came here? Doctor got a shock / jolting, fell on Baba's feet and begged for His pardon. Oh omnipresent, you know things immediately, wherever and whenever anything happens, saying so he prostrated to Baba.

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Baba's words are divine, meaningful with multiple meanings. Many truth are hidden in them. Baba once in His assembly (Darbar) with full of devotees said like this – “I have no house, no wife, no children, no responsibilities nothing of this sorts, but still the ghost of Maya keeps Me troubling. That's the Maya of Hari. That's why I sing songs on Hari and I will not leave them. Those who repeat calling Me “Sai – Sai” in their houses I will see that there is no poverty. Those who surrender to Me I will stand by their side and support, explained Sai.

Bhimaji Patil is a resident of Narayangaon Village of Pune district and it is in Junnar Taluka. In 1909, he got severe lung disease and was suffering. Finally it turned into Tuberculosis and he was vomiting blood. He lost hope on survival and had written a letter to Nana. Take darshan of Baba replied Nana. Patil took darshan of Baba. This is because of your sins of previous births, what can I do said Baba? Baba pardon me – pardon me, saying so Patil fell on Baba's feet and begged for His pardon. Baba can't say no to those who seek His refuge, thus giving assurance.

While giving assurance Baba said – that your disease is cured go!! Later on the vomiting of blood reduced, disease was cured and Patil became healthy. Bala Ganapati Shimpi suffered from Malaria fever for a long time. None of the medicines used could cure him. Shimpi came and sought protection from Baba. Baba told him to feed curd rice to a black dog at Mahalakshmi temple. When he went to his house he was surprised to see the curd rice ready. He took it and fed the black

dog at the temple as if it was waiting for him only wagging its tail. The dog ate the curd rice and went away wagging its tail. From that time Shimpi's fever subsided and gained complete health. He prostrated to Baba and paid his pranams from the heart.

Once Baba sahib Butti suffered from diarrhoea and vomiting and didn't get cured in spite of using many medicines. When he approached Baba, with His finger pointing to him Baba said as if it is a verdict that – “you will not have motions and vomiting”. From that moment itself Butti got totally recovered. Happily he fell at the Lotus feet of Baba.

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At another time Butti got cholera infection. Doctor Pillai's medicines didn't cure his disease. Saying, I will seek protection from Baba, Butti came, fell at Baba's feet and worried. Baba gave an assurance as don't worry, when I am here why you have fear and asked him to cook almonds, pistta with milk & sugar and eat. On hearing this Dr. Pillai and few other doctors said don't eat, it will aggravate your disease. Even then Butti kept faith in Baba's words and ate as said by Baba and his disease was cured and gained complete health. If we have faith in Baba's words, if He asks us to put our hands in fire, nothing happens, everything Baba only will take care.

A person named “Alandi Swamy” came for Baba's darshan to Shirdi. But he got a severe ear ache. He met Baba and

decided to go back. But knowing this Baba said to Shyama that - 'God will protect him always. After Baba's darshan he went to Pune. He has shown his problem to a doctor in Mumbai as well. But they said that no treatment is required. After that, as he has Baba's grace and blessings on him, the swelling and pain in the ear reduced without using any medicines. Alandi Swamy informed this to Baba through a letter and expressed his happiness.

Kaka Mahajani has immense belief and faith on Baba. Once he became very weak due to loose motions. At that same time laying of stone slabs work was going on in Masjid. Kaka also took part in that. He kept whole responsibility on Baba and he was frequenting to the toilet due to loose motions and in between drinking some water. He was suffering like that. Knowing this Baba broke in to anger and started shouting. Seeing this all the others ran away. When Kaka also was about to runaway, Babacaught hold of him and made him eat groundnuts. Baba took these ground nuts from a bag there, which was brought some time back by a devotee and He also ate some. Baba asked someone to bring water. Baba drank water and also gave to Kaka to drink. Baba said – “Now you will not have loose motions, go and look after the work of laying stone slabs”.

Baba getting angry was not on us, but on Kaka's disease only, thinking so all of them came and started the work. With His words itself Baba cures many diseases. All the people and devotees came to an immense faith that no other doctor's medicines are necessary for them. After seeing this, a resident of

Hardha village, 'Dattopant' who was suffering from stomach ache for 14 years came and had Baba's darshan. Baba put His hand on the head and gave him Udi Prasad. His pain totally reduced and never recurred again. Gangadhar pant brother of Kaka was having severe stomach pain. Baba smoothly rubbed His hand on Pant's stomach, and said that Allah will cure you from this disease. Immediately he got cured. Nana also was suffering from stomach pain for a long time and became very weak and Baba also blessed him with His words and cured him.

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Ratanji a parsi a businessman and very wealthy person is a resident of 'Nanded'. He has got lands, farms, horses, cattle, carts all wealthy things. He was having well donating nature. Without saying no, he used to help those whoever asks for anything. He has no children. Because of this one issue he used to get depressed. One day he consulted Dasaganu. Dasaganu told him to take Baba's darshan. Ratanji did like that. He put a big flower garland on Baba's neck and offered fruits in a big basket. He said to Baba that you are doing help to many people, so I came with a desire that you will bless me to get children. Saying so, when he was about to offer Rs. 5/- as dakshina, Baba said that – “you had already given Rs.3/- and Aanas 14, now give the balance Rs. 1/- and Aanas 2”. Ratanji gave like that with surprise. Baba said that your mind's wish will be fulfilled by Allah. Keeping faith in Baba's words Ratanji reached his village. He met Dasaganu and explained the issue of Baba

saying to him that he had given dakshina to Him even though he had not met Baba before. How is it possible? When he said so both of them started thinking as they didn't understand it.

After that Ratanji recollected that, sometime back he met a saint Bau Maula Saheb and gave Him Rs.3/- and Ananas 14, before he was to come to Shirdi. Now, Baba has said the same amount. Ratanji told this thing to Dasganu and both of them got infinite devotion & faith. With Baba's blessings Ratanji also got male child. Though another twelve children had born to him, only four of them survived. Ratanji & his wife continued doing Baba's worship without leaving. Whether we give as dakshina to Baba or Baba asks us to give dakshina, Baba used to give back thousand times than what we gave.

A famous stage artist Ganapatrao Bodus written in his Marathi history, that Baba used to ask him dakshina time and again. Looking to that, he kept the bag which contained money at the feet of Baba. That's why in his lifetime he never faced dearth of money. He felt that those are really golden words. Once Baba asked professor G G Narke to give Rs.15/-. For that he said to Baba that he didn't have money. That I know, that's why you give Me in dakshina "The Yoga Vasishta book" which you are reading. That means, from that book firmly plant the divine yoga in the mind and not just reading it. This is the meaning of Baba's words. Baba asked Tarkhad's wife to compulsorily give Rs.6/- as dakshina. She was surprised. Mr. Tharkhad who was there only, asked her if she understood what Baba has asked. In you there are 6 types of enemies such as desire & anger, Baba asked you to offer them only as dakshina

and become His devotee. This is what Baba's meaning was – said Tarkhad to his wife. Though Baba was asking for dakshina, it used to exhaust that day itself for Charity, some for His smoking pipe, some for poor and the rest of the amount used to be spent for food for devotees.

The items (Utensils) in Shirdi Sai Sanshtan are all donated by devotees on the advice of Radhakrishna Mayee. Baba used to scold the devotees giving costly / valuable items. Once out of anger Baba asked Nana, as this loin-cloth – shirt – A tin Sheet tumbler and glass, these only are My Sansthan. Baba used to give 'two' tests to His devotees:

1. Radhakrishna Mayee's house.
2. Dakshina asked by Baba – the dakshina given by devotees to Baba.

Those who pass in these two will have happiness throughout life.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 21

Dasganu once came to Shirdi to perform Harikatha. In Maharashtra the person performing Harikatha, wore attractive clothes, turban, coat, hat etc. and with lot of furore, perform Harikatha. Like that Dasganu also dressed up, took darshan of Baba and asked for permission. You have dressed up like a bridegroom – why is this pomp & show asked Baba? To perform Harikatha – told Dasganu to Baba. For that this much pomp & show is required? As Baba asked like this, Dasganu felt

ashamed, removed those decorative clothes and other items, kept them at Baba's feet, wore very ordinary clothes, took chirping Instruments in hand, wore a flower garland only in the neck and performed Harikatha. Dasganu has earned a name as good Harikatha (Kirtankar) performer. With Dasganu's Harikatha and Nana's speeches Baba's glory has been spread to all four corners of the country.

On hearing Baba's life story from Dasganu's songs, a small clerk in civil court by name Cholkar took a resolve that, Baba if you give me a permanent Job, then I will come to Shirdi and take Darshan.

Cholkar was very much eager for Baba's Darshan. At last, giving up adding sugar in tea and saving money, he took Baba's darshan ultimately. He offered coconut to Baba, and gave Kala Khanda to devotees and Baba. Now he is feeling very happy having taken darshan of Baba. When Baba said to Jog that, add more sugar in tea – coffee to Cholkar, the whole family was surprised to know the meaning of Baba's words. Because Baba is omnipresent, He knew about the secret of the sugar, understood Cholkar's family. They prostrated at Baba's feet.

Once in Baba's Masjid a lizard made a chirping noise. Baba saw it. A devotee there asked Baba that, what could be the meaning of the chirping. Her sister is coming from Aurangabad, that's why it's chirping in happiness – said Baba. In the meantime a person came by a horse from Aurangabad. He came for Baba's darshan. He gave food to the horse and shook off the gunny bag. A lizard stuck till that time to that gunny bag fell on the ground, crept up to the wall and met the other lizard.

Everyone who were seeing this were surprised, as both lizards were going rounds, and showing love for each other. As Baba knew it before and told this thing, everyone thought that, because Baba is omnipresent He knew everything in advance.

Baba said, all people ask from Me money, comforts, health but not even one asked Me to show 'Brahmagnyanam', now see that, saying so, He called a boy told the name of a Marwadi Seth, and asked him to bring Rs. 5/- from him saying that Baba asked for it. That boy went and returned back saying that the Marwadi was not in the house. Baba had sent him to get Rs. 5/- from a grocery merchant. Again the boy came back empty handed. Even then Baba again and again sent the boy to another four people but could not borrow the money and came empty handed.

The rich man, who was looking at all this drama, said to Baba that, he has to go and hurried Him to show him the Brahmagnyanam soon. Hearing that Baba said – I understood and if so listen to me now. Those who seek Brahmagnyanam should first renounce the following; 1) Five vital airs (Pancha pranas) 2) Five senses 3) Mind/Heart 4) intellect, 5) Ego. The path leading to Brahmagnyanam is very tough, difficult not easily reachable – Baba explained like this to that miser.

Mother-father after that Guru all one superior than the Three Murthy's. That's why the first worship should be offered to them. This body has been gifted to us by father-mother. That's why they are the first eligible Persons to be worshipped. Since Guru has got the power to protect us from acquiring bad habits, though wandering physically in the

material world, providing divine knowledge & pure life style, hence Guru should be worshipped, Baba preached like this to the devotees.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 22

Sathe was very good & strong at doing business. Even then he got in to deep ditch losses. Impatience has taken place in him. As he heard about Baba he reached Shirdi. Having taken Baba's darshan he felt happy and peace of mind. Sathe went home and did Guru Charitra parayana (in 7 days) like a 'Yagnya' with full determination. During that time Sathe had a dream that, Baba sat in front of him and explained many things in detail to him regarding the Parayana. He told about that dream to Kaka. Kaka came and asked Baba. Baba then said – Let Sathe come to Shirdi and read one more time 'Guru Charitra' in Shirdi, that will be enough and he will get the blessings of God immediately.

At that time, Hemad Pant who was pressing Baba's feet and serving, on hearing this thought to himself as – I did Parayana approximately forty times, by staying here only for the last seven years. That person stayed here only for seven days, and got Baba's grace with only one Parayana? So all my acts are futile? Baba understood the thoughts and asked Hemad to go to Shyama, bring Rs.15/= as dakshina and also to talk to him and then come to Him. Hemad came to Shyama's house. Shyama invited Hemad to come in and sit and then Shyama went inside the house. Hemad saw a sentence written there in Marathi from 'Bhagavatam' written by the famous

writer 'Eknath'.

Bapu sahib used to read – 'Dixit's Bhagvad Gita' and its Marathi commentary, Eknath Bhagavatam, Bhavardha Ramayanam near Baba. Hemad Pant also read those books like that. That day without reading only Hemad Pant went to the Masjid. When took the Bhagavatam in his hand at Shyama's house and opened it, he saw exactly the Chapter which he was supposed to read it. Oh! That's why Baba had sent me here. Because I didn't do the Parayana today at home, Baba made me read at this place, thinking so, before Shyama came out; Hemad read the chapter and completed the day's Parayana.

Shyama completed his worship and came out. Hemad told Shyama, that Baba asked to bring Rs.15/= as dakshina from him. Shyama told to inform Baba that, he didn't have that much money, but I had offered 15 Prostrations to Baba. You know Baba's miracles; can you explain me in detail – asked Hemad Pant. His miracles are many and extraordinary, how many can be told? One thing is true! Sometime He takes severe test of His devotees. The moment Shyama said this, Hemad recollected Sathé's Guru Charitra, his own jealousy. That moment Hemad understood Baba's hidden meaning in sending to Shyama's house to calm him and his mind.

Khasabai Deshmukh's mother Radhabai Deshmukh came to Shirdi, took Baba's darshan, and asked Baba to initiate her to 'Guru Mantra'. I don't know any 'Guru Mantras' mother – said Baba. She didn't listen to His words and fasted for 3 days. Looking to that, Shyama said to Baba as – Baba give her 'Guru Mantra' as she is not like other women, very rigid, she will not

even sleep till she gets what she desired.

Then Baba looked at her and said – Mother listen: My story I will tell you. I had a Guru. I served him, worshipped him, and prayed to him. I desired / wished, he will give me 'Guru Mantra'. But he didn't give any 'Guru Mantra'. He got my head shaved. Two paisa that means – first rule (Shradha), second rule – patience my GURU asked from Me as dakshina and took that. I happily gave them to him and stayed for 12 years at his feet with belief. My Guru only is everything for me, and nothing other than that. You also believe like that.

One mother tortoise is on one side of the river bank. Her children are on the other side. But she could not go to the other side and grew them by feeding them milk and food. She concentrated her mind and sight on the children and grew them up. My Guru also did the same thing to me. He had not told me any 'Guru Mantra'. Then which 'Guru Mantra' can I tell to you? Keep in mind that your happiness is in your Guru's looks only like that of mother tortoise over her children. I will direct my looks on you. Saying like that, He made to end her fasting. Baba's words are like good pearls of wisdom.

As it was time for noon aarati, the bell was rung and the devotees crowded in the Masjid. Jog started the aarati song. After completion of that, Prasad was distributed. Jog had given the Kalakhand to Baba. Baba gave to Hemad and told him that his whole life should be like that sweet. Don't blame others. Understand that you are not away from Guru. Offer devotion and faith to God – said Baba to Hemad pant. Then Hemad said to Baba that tomorrow is Thursday and as Shirdi is a divine

place, on tomorrow for the whole day I will do the Rama Nama Japa parayana. Next day, he did the Rama Nama Japa and took Baba's darshan. At that time a singer was melodiously singing near Baba. The meaning of that song was "I received the Guru Krupa" and on hearing this Hemad felt very happy. That means I received Baba's grace, felt Hemad Pant. Baba never liked people scolding each other. Like that when he heard one scolding another person, and when He was going to Lendi garden, Baba showed him a pig and said – see how it is enjoying the shit, same way you are also enjoying by putting blame on others".

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 23

Dasganu, once came to Shirdi, met Baba, took darshan and asked Baba that, he would like to know about "Isavasyopanishath". Why from Me, the servant maid of Kakasaheb will tell you the meaning, said Baba. Hearing that the devotees thought that Baba was joking. But Dasganu understood it was not a joke by Baba, but are words from scriptures.

As Baba said, Dasganu unexpectedly became guest at Kaka's house . Kaka's servant maid was singing to herself, the meaning of the song was as follows: She was describing about a red sari and its borders. Dasganu came close to her and saw. She wore torn clothes, very poor girl. Even then she was playing, singing and most satisfied.

Next day Kaka gave new clothes to Dasganu. Dasganu told Kaka to give clothes to his servant maid girl.

Dasganu gave to the girl a good sari. She looked at that, felt very happy, next day she wore it, came and worked as usual singing and playing happily. Second day also she did the same thing. Third day she came again with her torn clothing. Even then she sang and played happily. Dasganu who was looking all this got enlightened. There is nothing other than being satisfied with whatever one has. "Forgetting what one has and aspiring for what is not there and which can't be acquired should not be done", is the message Baba made me learn through Kaka's maid servant, understood Dasganu. He paid his obeisance to Baba in his mind itself. God will give us anything as per our fate. That's why we must make a habit of satisfying with whatever God has given.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 24

Hemad Pant worked as Magistrate in Bandra. At that same time a divine person named 'Peer Maulana' made the people of all casts, religion, languages 'Holy' with his blessings. Hemad's friends advised him also to meet 'Peer Maulana'. Even then Hemad didn't go. At last Hemad got a place in Shirdi.

V H Thakoor, working in government revenue department, went to Vadagaon. There he saw a reputed Karnataka saint named 'Appa'.

When Thakoor went there, the yogi was making his devotees listen to a spiritual book named 'Vichara Sagaram'. After listening for some time, Thakoor sought permission from

the Yogi “can I now go and come Swamy?” The yogi said to him – This book will be beneficial to you, read this book. You will go towards north due to your job requirement and will see an incarnated person. You will have good luck and happiness because of Him.

Thakoor came to 'Junoor' on transfer. He crossed the steep valley riding on a he buffalo. Nana has become friend to him. Nana told many things related to Baba to Thakoor. Nana started to go to Shirdi. When Nana asked Thakoor also to accompany him, he said he has court work. Having come to know that the court work has been postponed, after Nana had gone, Thakoor also reached Shirdi. Took Baba's darshan and prostrated to Baba. Tears of happiness tickled freely from Thakoor's eyes. Looking to this Baba said – OH! Son – Appa very easily preached you morals. How difficult it has been to you to come here? To cross Nane Ghat, you rode a he Buffalo and came! It will be like that, as the Vedanta (Indian philosophy) is very difficult. Should practice with lot of determination. As Baba was telling like this, whether any person has understood the meaning or not Thakoor only understood the secrete meaning of those divine words of Baba. From then onwards Thakoor also became one of the members in the Sansthan. He didn't leave the pious Lotus Feet of Baba.

Ananta Rao was a resident of Pune. He recited the Books very well. He came to Shirdi and took Baba's darshan. Baba I have read the essence of all the Puranas, read all the scriptures. I am a great Pandit, but I have no peace. That you only have to provide me – said that person. Then Baba told a

story to all of them. Once upon a time a trader came here. A female horse shit in front of him. With that became Nine dung cakes. Those cakes the trader preserved in his Dhoti. Anata Rao Patankar didn't understand these words of Baba. Kelkar also didn't understand them. Here God's grace is the female horse. Nine dung cakes means, nine types of doing Bhakti i.e. 1. Listening, 2. Singing, 3. Remembering, 4. Worship of foot prints, 5. Meditation, 6. Friendship, 7. Obeisance, 8. Offering of self, and 9. Worship.

Taking up of any one of them, will get God's praise and grace. Practice of worship without devotion and heart is misuse, useless. With devotion we get peace and happiness - said Baba. Not only to Patankar but also those present have their minds enlightened with Baba's witty preaching's. One lawyer from Pandharpur came to Shirdi and took Baba's darshan. Also gave dakshina to Baba. How funny these people are, who talk bad about others at their back, also they give dakshina to Me, as if they knew nothing - said Baba. Those words weather moved any one or not, but to the lawyer it pierced through his heart. Though he didn't talk about it at that time, later he told Kelkar as - All the lawyers together made insulting talks about the judge saying that, without taking medicine, just going to Masjid, will the disease be cured, saying like this they spoke criticising Baba indirectly. I was also among those lawyers. That's why Baba uttered these taunting words and opened my eyes. Having gained knowledge, and by clapping his cheek with both hands - Baba Taught me a lesson saying that one should not scold others from behind - said the

lawyer.

Aum SriSainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 25

One Babasaheb Meerikar, the mamlatdar of Kopargaon, while going to 'Chitali' came to Baba's darshan, took Baba's darshan and prostrated to Him. Baba gave him blessings and sacred ashes (Udi) as Prasad. Baba said that – the place where you are now sitting is Dwarakamayee, and whoever puts his foot here, no dangers come upon them. Go and come, that long, black fellow can't do anything to you. Babasaheb prostrated to Baba and later went along with Shyama. Though Babasaheb was denying, Baba only sent Shyama with him as company to Chitali. In Chitali, at night 9'o clock they both sat in a Hanuman temple spreading a cloth and talking to each other. On to the back of that cloth a long black cobra sat at the back of Babasaheb and making a hissing sound. One servant saw that under the light of a lantern and shouted. All the people came, attacked that snake at once and killed it. Then Babasaheb understood the hidden meaning of Baba's words. In his mind itself paid his heart felt obeisance to Baba. When once Butti was in Shirdi an astrologer named Nana Dengal told Butti that he has a threat to his life that day. Hearing that Butti was worried. When he took Baba's darshan, Baba said to Butti not to get worried, no harm will come to you, believe in my words completely. That evening when he was attending to his nature's calls, a snake came. Seeing the snake a servant shouted. Butti asked him to bring a stick, but by the time he brought the stick,

snake disappeared and could not be seen again.

Amir Sakkar Saheb butcher not able to bear the joint pains came to Shirdi from kovala village of Kopergaon taluka. Took Baba's darshan and paid his obeisance. Baba told him to stay in Chavadi and he did like that. Though not convenient to stay there, he stayed there for 9 months, at last got irritated and returned back to Kopergaon without informing any one. He stayed there in a free chaultry. He gave Water to drink to a phakir, who was in danger of life and was in thirsty state. Drinking that water the fakhr died. Police have put that blame on him. Thinking that it all happened as he came there without taking Baba's permission, somehow he managed to get rid of the police, came back to Shirdi stayed in Chavadi and got his joint pains cured.

One night time, Baba called, Abdul and told him to see if anything was there, he brought the light, saw and said there was nothing. Baba again asked him to see, he saw and shouted as snake – snake. All came pulled out the snake sitting below Amir Sakkar's pillow and killed it. Whoever comes for Baba's divine darshan, should not go back without Baba's permission. Without permission and still if one goes away will get in to many kinds of problems.

As per Baba's permission, Kaka used to do Parayana of both "Ekanath Bhagavat and Bhavardha Ramayanam'. One day the discourse was going on. Pant also was listening to it. In the meantime a big scorpion has fallen on the shoulder of Pant. Nobody has seen it. Pant saw that, and removed it with the cloth on his shoulders and threw it away. Baba's greatness will

be like that. An ant also is afraid to bite. That's why scorpion was lying on Pant's shoulders as if dead, and was as if listening the discourse.

Once when Kaka was upstairs, a snake came up from a hole, and sat there wounding itself. When all of them wanted to kill that snake, it ran away. One devotee said that it's a good Oman to have snake appear and run away. Pant argued that – “A snake has to be killed, should it be left saying its good Oman”? The argument gradually increased, but didn't come down. Knowing this, Baba gave knowledge to both of them as followed: “Don't harm anyone, who in no way didn't cause any harm to you. Have compassion on all the God's creatures. God is the one who is protector and sustainer of all. Believe in God, and keeping the whole burden of responsibility on Him, be at peace.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 26

An egoist came to Shirdi with Nana, having in mind that who can be equal to me and to have digested all the yogasastra books. Baba was eating a Roti with an onion. Seeing this, he who is eating an onion, can give me any answer? The egoist thought like this about Baba seeing Him in lower looks. Reading what was going on in that persons mind Baba said to Nana that – Onion should be eaten by those who have the capacity to digest it. Hearing this Yogi was stunned. Comparing the scriptures with onions how well Baba hinted to digest them fully. Thinking like this Yogi felt shameful, gained some knowledge from this, fell on Baba's feet, bowed his head and

paid his obeisance. Baba gave him Udi Prasad and blessed him.

A cobra bit Shyama. Suffering too much, Shyama thought that his death was certain. His friends brought him to Baba to the Masjid for medicine. Seeing this, when Shyama was coming up the stairs, Baba said ferociously – Go from here, don't come up, and see what happens to you if you come up. Shyama was also surprised along with all others. More than snake's poison, Baba's words were pinching. Shyama went back thinking that, when I was bitten by a snake and with suffering I was coming up to Masjid seeking His protection, He was shouting to go away.

After some time Baba himself came to Shyama and said – Oh! Shyama don't get frightened! This Dwarakamayee will give you protection. Don't keep any worry in your mind. Go, go to your home and be happy. Don't go anywhere out – saying so Baba sent Shyama to home. Along with Shyama Baba has sent Patil, Taytya and Dixit. Eat something to your full stomach, but don't sleep this night. A big danger to Shyama's life is averted – said Baba. Will any danger befall, when Baba who looks after welfare of everyone is there? Will Baba allow it?

In Shirdi cholera has spread horribly. All the villagers were afraid of the epidemic. Neighbouring villagers coming to Shirdi and Shirdi people going to the neighbouring villages was banned. Fire wood was not allowed to come in to Shirdi. Village panchayat was not allowed slaughter of goat. For Baba it all looked a ritual. At that time only, one cart with load of firewood tried to come to Shirdi from a neighbouring village. Looking to that, as the villagers tried to stop it, Baba came and brought it inside the Masjid.

Can anyone obstruct Baba? Looking at that villager's kept quiet. Who doesn't know Baba is a Somayaji, who lit scared fire every day? That's why Baba used to purchase lot of fire wood and kept.

One fellow brought an old he goat. Seeing that Badebaba was there “cut the he goat with one stroke” Baba gave order like this to him. Baba has great liking and respect for Badebaba. Baba used to make him sit by His side in Masjid. Baba first gave the smoking cigar pipe to him and then Baba used to smoke. Every day Baba used to give Rs.50/- to Badebaba. When Badebaba died, Baba went a long way along with those mortal remains and paid His Tribute. That kind of affectionate relation was there between Baba and Badebaba. Even then Badebaba didn't like to kill that goat. Baba ordered Shyama. Shyama went with a pretext of bringing the knife from Radhakrishnamayee and remained in the house. He didn't like this as he didn't like to kill the goat and also couldn't say no to Baba's words. Dixit pant came there. Baba ordered him. When Dixit was about to do the job immediately, everyone was surprised. You are a Brahmin isn't it? Do you want to kill this goat asked Baba? Then Dixit said – good and bad you will look after Baba, for me your order is more than an order by a king. Whatever you ask me to do is like a directive from Vedas for me. If so I will do that job – saying like this Baba dragged that goat to some distance and it being old fell dead after walking a distance. A true devotee is one who is totally bound to the order and law of God!

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 27

Market/fair used to take place on Sunday in Shirdi. Those who want to purchase and those who want to sell, the fair was very crowded. All the people from neighbouring villages also come to the fair. Same day in Masjid also too much crowd would be sitting. One Sunday Hemad was sitting pressing Baba's feet. Pressing Baba's feet only, he was reciting Baba's name in his mind. Shyama was there on the left and Vamana Rao on the right to Baba. Butti and Kaka were also there. Also many who are related to the Sansthan were there. Then Baba did a witty thing. Hemad, how did the 'Chana seeds' come in to your Bushshirt sleeves asked Baba? Hemad was surprised, got up and when shook his bushshirt really chana seeds fell down. Looking to that everyone was laughing. To this Hemad this is a habit, whatever he eats, he will eat alone and come – said Baba. Hemad became restless and said that - Baba I don't have such habits, I never eat anything alone, you are putting blame on me, I never saw the fair at all till now said Hemad. Yes it is true; one will give only if anything is there with, otherwise how can one give? You are also like that. I am always with you and you are always with me even then, do you offer me anything 'No' Said Baba?

That is whenever we want to eat anything, first to be offered once to Baba then we should eat, is the meaning of Baba's words. That's why to make everyone know this issue; Baba used Hemad as a tool and played this drama. In every word & action of Baba has meaning and emotions. Along with Sudhama, Lord Balram & Lord Sri Krishna both studied in

Sandeep Maharshi's divine hermitage. As per orders of Guru, when three of them were going to forest for cutting wood, Sandeep Maharshi's wife gave 'Chana' to three of them to eat. As they roamed in the forest, Srikrishna felt thirsty and asked Sudhama for some water. Sudhama didn't give Srikrishna chana to eat. He didn't tell that he will bring water. Tired Srikrishna kept His head on Sudhama's lap and had a deep sleep. In the mean time Sudhama started eating 'Chana' given by Sandeep Maharshi's wife. When Krishna asked, my teeth are stuttering due to cold lied Sudhama. OH! I thought you were eating something without giving me – said Krishna. Whatever we have, should not eat without giving to those who are near. If done like that, even though having Srikrishna as his affectionate person, Sudhama was in serve poverty, anybody will be also like that is the meaning of it.

Chinchinekar who speaks very straight forward and without any diplomacy was a devotee of Baba. He was serving Baba wholeheartedly. Venubai an old widow also used to be with Baba. Baba used to call her as mother. One day Chinchinekar was polishing Baba's hand. Maushibai also was pressing Baba's back. Like that as both of them were serving Baba, their faces touched each other. She got wild, and she said “Baba are you looking”, not considering I am old this man was kissing me. What Oh! Old woman, did I kiss you? Don't try to pick-up a fight, I am not a good person, look Baba at this woman – said Chinchinekar. If a son kisses a mother what is wrong – said Baba? As all the people laughed at Baba's witty remarks, they also laughed. Baba's words are like that. They will make one

laugh and happy, however painful one was. Once Baba was getting His stomach massaged by Maushibai. When she was pressing the stomach with her full strength, some of the devotees there cautioned her to be careful in her massaging as Baba's intestines may get dislocated. Hearing this Baba got wild, struck His baton on the ground, and pressed that baton in to His stomach. Looking to that everybody was afraid. On seeing His angry face, all have understood that no one should give any advice to anyone in Baba's service.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha :

Chapter – 28

One of Damu Anna's friends from Mumbai wrote a letter to him whether they both together do business in cotton as it is very profitable. He also wrote that we can earn lacks. Immediately on receiving this letter Damu Anna wrote to Shyama, to ask Baba about this proposal and reply to him. Shyama read out that letter to Baba. On hearing that, Baba said – is he mad or what? Don't be greedy! Let him eat half from the bread he has enough. Shyama wrote to Damu Anna to come personally and meet Baba which may do some good. As per Baba's words, Damu Anna came to Shirdi and took Baba's darshan. Baba said – that don't do business in cotton, do business in paddy. Anna did as per Baba's order. In this also you will incur loss. So to you this business is also not good, Baba again advised him like this. Anna did as Baba said. In few days the paddy rate has feel down a lot. And that of cotton fell down further low. As Anna followed the advice of Baba, he left doing

those two businesses and could save his money.

One devotee had sent 300 mangoes to Baba from Goa. Baba kept those mangoes with Shyama, took 4 mangoes from them and preserved in a pot. Rest of the mangoes Baba distributed. As soon as Anna came, gave those four mangoes, and asked him to give them to his younger wife and blessed Anna that you will get four sons and four daughters. Due to Baba's divine words, truly Anna got eight children. Baba's words are words of Brahma. For those issueless, Baba will present them issues.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 29

Along with Pant, a disciple of another Guru also came to Shirdi for Baba's darshan. Pant has brought him by force. There were lot of devotees in the Masjid, as Pant saw them, he fell down due to giddiness. Though Baba knew/understood that Pant was worshiping another Guru, told him that you don't need to fear! All the Guru's are one! You stick to your Guru! Don't leave your meditations. On hearing Baba's nectar like words he didn't leave his Guru for his entire life.

Harishchandra Pitale was a resident of Mumbai. His son was suffering from fits. On hearing Dasganu's campaign, in 1910 Pitale came to Shirdi along with his family and took Baba's darshan. As his son got fits again he kept on Baba's feet. Baba saw that person who was in fit. That person lost complete senses and fell on the ground. Seeing that, the parents got shivering thinking that their son might have died. That boy got severe

sweating. The mother was weeping. Mother don't weep, take him to your place of stay, after some time he will wake up (get back his senses) said Baba to them. As they did so, he was cured and woke up. Everybody was happy as the child became alive and woke up. Pitale distributed sweets to all. They had spent some time there in Shirdi. Before returning back he requested for Baba's permission. Baba gave them Udi as Prasad and blessed them. Baba also said that, I gave you Rs. 2/- earlier, now I am giving another Rs. 3/-. This and that put together total Rs. 5/- keep in the Pooja Mandir and worship! Everything good will happen to you. Pitale, after coming back to Mumbai, said about this Rs.3/- (fun) issue to his mother, she said yes – Akkolkot Maharaj had given Rs.2/- to your father and told to keep in the Pooja Mandir. Now Baba making you remember that, gave Rs.3/- indicating that both Akkolkot Maharaj & Baba are same - said his old mother. Remembering Baba's words time and again Pitale has developed extreme devotion and faith in Baba. Baba will bring them to memory, which we might have forgotten totally, and makes devotion & faith increase towards Him.

Narayan Ambedkar, who worked in Abkari for approximately a decade and who was resident of Pune was Baba's devotee. He didn't have a steady permanent job. Not getting any job for 7 years, he was depressed and lived without job. Even then every year, he used to visit Baba and explained his difficulties. Vexed and tired he decided to end his life in Shirdi in 1916. He reached Shirdi along with his wife. Both of them thought of jumping in the well in Shirdi and die. Baba knew this thing! Baba is omniscient! That's why he gave him one book,

'Ambedkar' have you read Akkolkot Maharaj's divine story? Read it said Baba.

Ambedkar when opened it to read the, very first a story of a devotee came. One of Akkolkot Maharaj's devotees, suffering from a chronic disease not bearable by him, at last tried to fall in a well. Then Maharaj came and said – Ye! How mad you are? Just because you die, your sins of earlier births will go? You have to undergo (enjoy) the fruits of those sins completely. Till such time you will not be relived of the effects of those sinful acts, and will not get peace. When Maharaj said this, that devotee changed his idea of committing suicide. Baba making Ambedkar read that chapter and Ambedkar reading it was all due to Baba's grace. Thinking like this Ambedkar and his wife put their head on the Lotus feet of Baba and begged for his pardon and grace. Later-on he got a good job, earning good money. Thinking all this as Baba's great favour, both Ambedkar and his wife remained as Baba's devotee still last.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

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Those who wish to do the Parayana of Baba's divine life story, place the divine book in Baba's hands first, allowing Baba to touch the book with His protective hands and then do the parayana to get more beneficial effects. By doing like this Baba will remain on the book and give us good effects / fruits. Once Kaka came to Shirdi with 'Ekanath Bhagvatam'. Shyama asked it from Kaka Mahajani and brought it and showed to Baba. Baba looked at a few papers here and there, told Shyama

to keep it with him and said that good things will happen to you Shyama. Baba this is not mine, it is of Kaka – said Shyama. Even then, I am giving this to you; you only keep it – pressurised Baba. Like this earlier many books Baba touched and gave to Shyama. Now this book of Kaka. What Mahajani will think? Thought Shyama.

Ramadasi when came to Shirdi and reciting 'Vishnusahastranamam' Baba has sent him to bazaar to bring 'Sonamukhi'. When he went, Baba looked at the Vishnusahastranamam book here and there, gave that also to Shyama and said – you read this, this will give you a lot of good results. Shyama said to Baba that Ramadasi is very short tempered and I fear that he will scold me. I don't want this book Baba, said Shyama. Even then Baba persuaded Shyama and gave Him that book.

In the meantime Ramadasi came with Sonamukhi. Ramadasi saw Shyama holding the Vishnusahastranamam book very close to his heart and got angry. Anna told Ramadasi about the things happened. Even then Ramadasi scolded Shyama with anger. You wanted to grab this book and made Baba tell me to get Sonamukhi. This is all drama, give that book to me, else I will break my head and die, shouted Ramadasi. Shyama tried much to convince Ramadasi, but he didn't listen.

Baba then said - this I only gave to Shyama. You are daily doing parayana of this granth even then you didn't get it by heart? With the Parayana of this book you and your mind didn't get cleaned even a bit? By doing Parayana, if there is no result and parayana of any book which can't subdue your ego

is waste. Vishnu Sahastranamam is great result giving & bright book. In spite of reading such book also there is no change in you, and it is visible you lack faith and devotion. Worship and readings without faith and devotion is waste – said Baba. Like that Baba explained the effect & result of VishnuSahastranama book Parayana. In every behaviour of Baba there is hidden a meaning and inner meaning, devotees should know that.

Bapu Saheb Jog took 'Gita Rahasya' book written by Bal Gangadhar Tilak duly packed, went to Shirdi, took darshan of Baba and kept that Book in Baba's hand and paid obeisance. Baba saw few pages here and there, kept Rs. 1/- over it, giving it to Jog Baba said, if you do the Parayana of this book, you benefit greatly ... saying so blessed Baba.

Kaparde a wealthy renowned lawyer, of Amaravati came to Shirdi along with his wife for Baba's darshan. Many have somehow argued in front of Baba but the trio of Nana, Kaparde & Noolkar never made any argument. Kaparde's wife used to bring Maha Naivedhya exactly by afternoon. Baba used to tell her pure history to the devotees. One day she brought Sanjapuri, rice broth and rice pudding. You hesitant and taking a back step in eating anything brought by any one, are now eating everything brought by her without saying no – what is the reason asked Shyama to Baba with surprise. Then Baba answered as follows – in her previous life she was a sacred cow of a trader, she used to give lot of milk. After that took birth in a gardener's house and a king's house, married a trader. After that born in a Brahmin family. I saw her after a long time. That's why I happily emptied the plate brought by her. She prostrated to

Baba and when she was pressing Baba's feet, looking to this Shyama said that it appears as God and devotee both serving each other with love. Mother you recite 'Raja-Ram' continuously without break your desire will be fulfilled said Baba.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

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A person named Lala Lakshmi Chand did many types of jobs. Chand got a strange dream before Christmas festival. In that dream, he saw an old person, with grown up beard and surrounded by many devotees. In the year 1910 Chand went to his friend Bijur's house to listen to devotional songs by Dasaganu. He was surprised at the photo kept there by Dasaganu. He is the one appeared in his dream, comparing like this he felt great anxiety to go to Shirdi immediately and take Baba's darshan. Chand could know from Dasaganu's songs that He is Baba and a glorious person.

Shankaran Rao came to Chand's house, and asked Chand if he is coming to Shirdi with him as he is going to Shirdi. Chand happily accepted saying he will come. Chand borrowed Rs. 15/- from his brother, saying that they are required urgently and boarded the train. Both friends did Bhajan with devotion. Due to curiosity Chand was enquiring all about Baba and understanding. He thought of purchasing Guva fruits for Baba in Kopergaon. But an old lady came on the train with a basket of Guva's and sold. Chand picked up carefully good fruits for Baba. That old lady gave the balance fruits in the basket to Chand and asked him to offer to Baba. Both the friends happily reached

Shirdi. In the meantime Baba said – one fellow started enquiring about me in the train, did Bhajans. Not only that he had come here borrowing money. What is the necessity to come to me borrowing money? Hearing this Chand was surprised. His mind has become much closer to Baba.

Exactly when Chand sat for dining in the afternoon, one devotee brought 'Sanja'. Chand likes it very much. That's why he had a good share of it. He desired for it next day also as he liked it. On third day, Baba told Jog to bring Sanja for 'Maha Navedhya' Chand's happiness & surprise has no limits and bounds. How well Baba is catching up the thoughts, likes, desires of minds, without being told? Chand thought in the mind that Baba is really a God.

Serve 'Sanja again and again to Chand saying so Baba made Chand to eat. After that Chand touched Baba's feet, and prayed that - Baba bless me that my mind and heart always do Sai's pooja and my tongue always repeat Sai Namam. Baba blessed him and gave him & his friend the Udi Prasad. God doesn't expect gifts from the devotees, but their clean, pure whole heart only.

In a town named Burahan, Baba appeared to a woman in her dream and asked for Khichadi. Not knowing whether it was a dream or reality, looking to the four sides, could not see Baba, she woke her husband and told him. After that both of them came to Shirdi. Took Baba's darshan. They stayed there for two months. Even then they were getting darshan only, but that lady didn't get chance to cook kichadi and serve Baba. Fifteen days passed by. She was feeling very guilty. Finally one

day she cooked kichadi and came to the Masjid. By that time already all have closed the curtains and ready to take meals. But Baba didn't touch the food and was waiting for someone. In the meantime that lady came. Baba took the plate brought by her and happily started eating the khachadi. Devotees understood the meaning, why Baba waited and they all felt happy. Baba never denies and degrades devotees' wishes. Baba distributes happiness to all.

Meghashyam was a great devotee. Used to cook food for Hari Vinayak Sathe. He always does the 'Siva panchakshari' mantra japa. Meghashyam has taken birth as a Brahmin, but does not know anything. Sathe is Baba's devotee. Sathe asked Meghashyam to go to Baba in Shirdi. He is a Muslim, I will not go said Meghashyam. Even then, with determination Sathe had sent him to Shirdi. Though came to Shirdi without liking, when Meghashyam was about to climb the steps of Masjid – Hey you are a Brahmin, good Brahmin, I am a Muslim, why are you climbing up my steps and spoiling your caste? Don't come in to this Masjid, your caste may get spoiled. You may get spoiled, push him out, don't allow him to come seeing Baba shouting like this, Meghashyama was stunned, surprised, thinking in mind that Baba is omnipresent. Meghashyam fell on Baba's feet.

Meghashyam was in Baba's service for some time. After that, went to Traymbekeshwar spent there some days and returned back to Shirdi. Baba respected him. Baba is not an ordinary person, as such incarnation of Shiva – understood Meghashyam. Brought bel-leaves and worshipped Baba. Meghashyama used to perform pooja in all the temples of

Shirdi, then worshipped Baba's divine seat and after that performed divine pooja to Baba, then only took Tirtha & Prasad. Once, as the doors of Khandoba's Mandir were closed, Baba understood, Meghashyam having come to serve Him, Baba returned him to perform Khandoba's pooja saying that the doors are open now. Baba grasps everything. That's why Baba is keen grasper. No one can do drama near Baba. No one can make Baba believe a lie as truth.

On Makara Sankranti festive day, Meghashyama, asked Baba and made Him agree to have head bath with Ganga waters. Went 8 miles distance to bring Ganga water and did Abhisekam by pouring water on the head, surprisingly except the head, no other part of the body of Baba became wet. As Meghashyama said that he will pour water on Baba's head, like that Baba's head only got wet. That wonder made every one surprised and happy and looked that Sai's miracles are wonders.

Meghashyama worshipped the photo of Baba given by Nana in the 'Wada'. Like that he did for one year. One early morning Baba appeared to Meghashyama told him to draw 'trisoolam' – sprinkled some sanctified rice (Akshta) on Meghashyama, blessed him and went. When Meghashyama woke up and saw, Baba was not there, but the Akshtas were there. Seeing them he very happily came to have darshan of Baba – why to have doubt when I came and told? Start the work immediately ordered Baba.

As per Baba's instructions Meghashyama had drew the Trisoolam on the wall where Baba's photo was there. The next day Ramadasi came and offered the Shivalinga to Baba.

Meghashyama who just came at that time, when surprised, Baba laughed and said – now Parameshwar also has come, take it carefully and worship.

Knowing that Shiva will be coming, Baba made me draw the Trisoolam, Meghashyama thought that Baba has got great foresight in his mind. Later on Baba installed that Shivalinga. For two years with determined strong will and thinking that Shiva and Sai are not different, Meghashyama did worship. In 1912 Meghashyama merged in to Linga. To his mortal remains, Baba Himself flowered and with His own money performed final rites and Santarpana to Brahmins. Not that devotee only worship the deity, even God also serves His devotees.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

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In 1916, one devotee of Sri Ram and her family members started on a journey to Varansi. Their's was a singing troop. Madras was their place of stay. They came to know that Baba honours the artists. All of them together came to Shirdi, took Baba's darshan, and performed Bhajans. Every one's mind was on the money which Baba gives but the devotee of Sri Ram, having true respect and devotion on Baba and having complete faith she performed the Bhajan. During afternoon Aarati time Baba appeared like Sri Rama to her. She felt very happy. When she told this thing to her husband, he didn't believe. It is all your

illusion he said. On that night he got a dream. In that mega city police caught him and tied down, Baba came there. When surrendered to Baba, He first said to bear with it as it was your 'Karma', but later as His heart melted, released him from the bonding. Not only that, showed him his Guru in the dream, saying so he fell on the feet of Baba. Knowing Baba's greatness, he worshipped Him with devotion and faith. Baba got sweet meats for Rs. 2/- and gave them. After that due to the blessings of Baba the family earned good money, completed the Varanasi (Kashi) yatra and returned to their house.

Tendukar's wife used to write poems on Baba. They used to live in Bandra. Their son was studying well with dedication for his medical exam. As one astrologer told him that he can't pass the examination, he was depressed. Looking to his depression his mother went to Shirdi and pleaded Baba. Baba gave her assurance that he will definitely pass the examination. Truly their son studied well, left the depression and passed in the examination. His father retired from the services. As they were suffering from the half salary they were getting, his mother again came to Baba and informed Him about their pitiable condition. With Baba's grace their pension increased from Rs.75/- to Rs. 110/-. Baba will never allow any of His devotees to suffer. He gives whichever comforts they need.

One day, Baba appeared in the dream to one of His devotee by name Hante Captain, and asked him whether he ever remembered Him? Hante happily, tried to offer Beans, Dakshina as 'Swayampakam'. But realised that it was dream, and felt disturbed. After that, he money ordered Rs. 12/- to his

friend, and asked him to handover Beans as 'Swayampakam' and Rs. 10/- as dakshina to Baba on his behalf. His friend did exactly like that. Baba happily ate the Beans curry. This news Hante's friend informed him through a letter. Once Hante, through another of his friend sent Rs. 1/- to Baba, and asked him to send it back after got it sanctified by Baba. Baba took Rs1/- playing with it for sometime throwing in the air with his thumb, and sent it through his friend the Rs. 1/- coin and Udi saying that Baba had sent it for you. As Hante received it, his happiness knew no bounds. With whichever things one gets happiness, Baba does without saying no to those things.

Narvekar once gave one Rupee on which one side with Sita, Rama, Lakshmana and another side with Hanuman and happily offered it to Baba. He thought that Baba will give it back to him. But Baba didn't do like that. He had put it in His pocket. Baba don't you give that Rupee back to him after touching asked Shyama? This is very valuable, if Rs 25/- is given for this, will I give – said Baba. Really Narvekar was about to offer to Baba that amount. But Baba gave that Rupee to Shyama and asked him to keep it and worship it. Narvekar could not say anything. Baba will not give anything to those who does not deserve that. Those who are deserved Baba gives them anything with great liking – thought Narvekar in his mind.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 33

Kakaji was a priest in Goddess 'Saptashrunji' temple. He faced many difficulties so he pleaded and prayed the Mata. Mata was pleased, appeared in his dream and told him to visit Baba. He doesn't know who Baba was. That's why he went to Traymbekeshwar, and worshipped Him thinking to be Baba. Even then there was no peace to him. Again he came back to Mata and prayed. Then She again came in his dream and told him to reach Shirdi to see Baba. As he was thinking of as how to go to Shirdi, Shyama came there. As Baba has sent him, Shyama came there to fulfil his mother's owe. On seeing him Kakaji felt happy. Though they do not know each other, they were discussing about Baba's miracles. After that Shyama completed the work for which he had come there, took Kakaji with him and reached Shirdi. With Baba's darshan, Kakaji got mental peace and happiness. Those whom He wanted, Baba will show them some way and bring them to Him. This is Baba's greatness.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

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Vijayanand, sanyasi was a resident of Madras. He desired to go and see Manasarovar, but first wanted to go to Shirdi, take Baba's darshan then later on decided to go to Manasarovar. And deciding like this the Sanyasi started for Shirdi. He took Baba's darshan. There he came to know one 'Somadevara Swamy' who came from Haridwar, and asked that Swamy the details, saying that presently he was preparing to go

to Haridwar. As the Swamy told him about the exertion, difficult long route, troubles, and cold weather the Sanyasi got afraid and abandoned his plan of going to Haridwar. The Sanyasi decided to remain at Baba and offer services. When he met Baba in the Masjid, what work you have here, get out, you are a useless person, drive him away – saying so Baba got angry over him.

Already Masjid was full with devotees. Even though Baba was angry, that Sanyasi felt that it was out of affection that Baba did like that, and he didn't leave Baba and Shirdi. He received intimation about his mother's death. When asked permission from Baba, what kind of Sanyasi you are, having still affections? You are bringing disgrace to the saffron robes itself. Don't move anywhere. Thieves are coming where you are. Be careful. Do the Mahabhagavat Parayana. This body made of five elements will not last forever. That's why keep mind on God rather on the body. Unless one has done great good deals, no one can put foot in Dwarakamayee in Shirdi. You are fortunate saying so Baba blessed him. After doing 2 times Bhagavat Parayana he died. The devotees under stood then only (why Baba has ordered him to keep with Him). No one should over step Baba's words. In Baba's words there will be inner meaning.

Balaram Mankar reached Shirdi after his wife's death. Baba told him that you should not stay here, but stay in 'Machindra Gadh'. He didn't like it. Even then Baba gave him Rs. 12/- and sent him by force. There he did meditation with concentration. Baba appeared to him and told him that this Place is the correct place for your meditation & peace. Baba also told him that I will be with you. After sometime, being vexed,

wanting to reach Bandra, he tried for a train ticket. But he didn't get the ticket. When disappointed, one Sanyasi came and gave him ticket, telling that he has an additional ticket. Balaram happily went to Bandra. After staying there for some time, came to Shirdi and in short time merged with Baba. Whichever way the devotees go, will ultimately reach God definitely.

In Pandharpur, Tatya was working as a sub-judge and Nana as Mamlatdar. They became friends. One day between them the topic of Yogis – Sidhhas – Guru has come-up. I don't have a proper faith on any of them said Tatya with Nana. Not all will be alike, there are Sadgurus and we can learn many worldly secrets from them – said Nana. Among them, one is Shirdi Sai. Nana said we will take His darshan. Tatya said - I am not a fool, rigid or ascetic person. I am fed up with those who cheat. If two of my rules are met, then only I will come and take Baba's darshan. 1. A pure Brahmin must cook food and serve to me. 2. I must get Nagpur oranges only, to offer to Baba. If so I will come – said Tatya. Really both the things were made available to Tatya. A basket full of Nagpur oranges and also got a good Brahmin cook. Tatya came to Shirdi. When he was putting his foot in the Masjid – Baba got wild – and shouted like – He wanted only good food cooked by Brahmin, to come to Me he himself fixed two rules, this Masjid will spoil him, drive him away immediately. Tatya was really surprised and thought that Baba is truly a great person – omniscient – divine – Pahimam – Rakshmamam – Pahimam – Rakshmamam – I surrender to you Baba – saying so Tatya surrendered at Baba's feet. Baba blessed him. Baba called Shyama and told him – Shyama you are a good

Brahmin isn't it? So cook food neatly, cleanly and pure food and serve him. Please take care of lodging and boarding of Taty. Having heard this – Taty caught hold of Baba's feet and said that – not knowing your greatness I said those words Baba, please you don't talk like that anymore to pinch me. From then onwards he became a great devotee of Baba and one in Baba's mind. Omnipotent Baba, listened to the words coming out of heart and not the words utter by just lips. That's why devotees should clean their minds. Baba will know everything.

One day some poets have come for Baba's darshan. Megha Shyama was also there. The poets praised Baba with different prose & poetry. Baba hounded them all. Megha Shyama was not educated, but has a culture. Has got tremendous faith and devotion in Baba. That's why he offered his life at Baba's Lotus feet, thinking Sai as everything. On his death Baba shed tears. Megha Shyama was such a devotee. God will melt down at the devotion and their devotees.

A circus fellow sold out his aged tiger to three persons. They were earning bread by roaming it from town to town and lastly reached Shirdi and started playing in front of Baba. Even though the tiger was aged and suffering from illness, they were beating it-up. Scolding and making it play by force. The tiger looked at Baba in pity. Its keenly look was as if Baba only is the rescuer. Baba also looked at it sharply. Thereafter in few minutes the tiger died. By that time all the villagers already gathered there to see the tiger. This incident made them wonder even more. The tiger has got liberation from Baba. Baba is compassionate. Baba will not allow any living being to suffer

and will not allow getting tears.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

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Once Baba Himself has said the following words: There was a discussion between four persons. One said that, we have to uplift ourself through 'Atman'. The second person said – not like that, but we have to control our mind and purify ourselves. The third person said that – this creation will keep changing so no need of discussion. And as fourth person, I said that – there is a dire need of Sadguru in one's life. After that to find out God we walked in jungles. We felt hungry. There we saw a businessman. He was offering food. We didn't take it and roamed around. We came back to the same place. Why are you just going around unnecessarily? Listen to me, take food and some water. The other three said no to him and went away. But I gave respect to his words and took food and water.

In the meantime my guru appeared there. Those three again came there. My Guru asked all of us to come along with Him. The other three refused, but I went with Him. After walking for some distance, my Guru tied both my legs with a rope and lowered me upside down in to a well so that the water will not touch me. After few hours my Guru came and asked Me how am I? I told Him that I am very happy. To that He was pleased and admitted Me in His school. To me He appeared like everything. Due to Seva to Guru I have become the sole hire apparent of all His powers – said Baba. Food is 'Parabrahma', that He had given me in the form of businessman in the jungle –

said Baba. How He withstood His Guru's test and passed, in the same way we also should develop respect, faith and trust in our Guru – this is Baba's order, which He narrated through His story. Baba gives a hint in every word He speaks. We must grasp that. That's it.

Gokhale's wife came to Shirdi with an intention to do fasting for three days. Baba ordered that, on the Holy festival day, no one should fast, but eat fully. Hearing that she was stunned. Over and above Baba called her and said that – Oh! Mother prepare sweet roti's (Pooran Poli) in Dada Bhatt's house, serve everybody and you also eat. Like that tactically Baba didn't allow her to do fasting. By doing fasting or Pooja we can't please Baba. Surrendering the self, mind and with nama-japa only we can please Baba.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 36

Baba used to ask and take dakshina from devotees. Whatever amount was received Baba used to spend the same day. Sacred fire (Dhuni) Homam used to be “on” day and night. Fire God used to consume as much firewood as offered as if He was very hungry. The ashes coming out of that Homam / fire are called “UDI – VIBHUTHI”. Sometimes Baba used to cure the diseases with that Udi only.

'Narayan Moti Ramja' took darshan of Baba. He pleaded to Baba that his owner was harassing him in the job. Baba gave him an advice to do his own business. He did as advised by Baba and earned good profit. His friend was bitten by

a scorpion and was suffering. Ramja didn't have Vibuthi with him. For that he lit an incense stick to Baba, took that ash as Vibhuthi and remembering Baba in his heart he applied at the place where scorpion bit his friend and his pain subsided.

In Bandra there was one Baba's devotee. His daughter was suffering very much with plague fever in a neighbouring village. At that time Baba's Udi was not there with her. Nana came to know about this thing. As Udi was not there, Nana took the sand in his hand, remembered Baba and applied as Tilak to her on the forehead. Due to Baba's divine nama-japa the sand has worked like Udi / Vibhuthi and she immediately became alright. Everybody felt happy. They realised that much power is there in Sai nama-japa.

For Nana's daughter it was delivery days. Shirdi is very far off for him. He was working in 'Junnar'. Nana's daughter was not able to bear the labour pains. Nana remembered Baba. At that very same time Baba had given Udi to a devotee named Buva and sent him from Shirdi to give it to Nana in 'Junnar'. He reached 'Jalgaon' by mid night. He was not having money in hand. How to go ahead, thinking like this he was feeling bad. In the meantime aTangawala, came asking him whether he wants to go to Junnar? I am going in that direction. Come I will drop you – saying so he took him in his Tanga. When the Tanga was near 'Junnar', Buva went for a nature's call, and when he returned, there was no Tanga & Tangawala. As Nana's house was just opposite, Buva came and gave the Udi to him. He told Baba had sent it to be given to him. Immediately after applying Udi, his daughter had a happy delivery. No limit to Nana's happiness.

He remembered Baba whole heartedly in the mind. This is a proof that God always takes care of His devotees good & bad as his duty.

Narayana Rao took Baba's darshan twice. After Baba's Mahasamadhi, he got disease which was never reducing. He was suffering like a hell, with that prolonged illness he remembered Baba. Baba appeared in his dreams and gave an assurance saying that – do not get worried. You will be totally cured. As Baba said, without any medicines his disease started subsiding and his health totally restored. Whoever puts complete response on Baba, He will guard them.

Balabuva Suthar of Bombay was a great musician. First time he came to Shirdi took Baba's darshan and offered his pranamams. Baba on seeing him when told that he knew him for many years, he was surprised. How is it? I came for the first time and took Baba's darshan, but Baba was saying like that, He knew me for many years? He was thinking like this in his mind. Then it clicked to his mind, that many years back he saw Baba's photo in somebody's house in Mumbai. Oh! How great this person is! How fortunate to have His blessings! Thought Suthar on that day. That is probably the introduction Baba might be referring now. How fortunate am I, from the photo itself Baba has seen and blessed me. Brought me to Shirdi, gave me darshan in His physical form and made me a blessed person – thinking so he fell on Baba's Lotus feet and made prostrations. Baba gave him blessing and Udi Prasadam and sent him.

Bala saheb Bhate gave a photograph of Baba to Appasaheb Kulkarni. Kulkarni has been worshipping and

servicing Baba's photo with lot of devotion and his mind always used to be eager to offer the daily Naivedyam (food offering) to Baba. Because of work pressure, he was not able to stay at his house properly, leave alone Shiridi,. One afternoon one Sanyasi came to Kulkarni's house. Kulkarni was not in the house. I am the messenger of God! I have come to enquire about all your welfare! All good should happen to you – saying so He gave Udi, a photograph, took one Rupee dakshina from Kulkarni's wife and went away.

Kulkarni's wife told him about the sanyasi. Only one Rupee you gave? If I was there I would have given Rs.10/- as dakshina – saying so he came out, searched for the Sanyasi in all four sides and as he couldn't see the sanyasi, Kulkarni returned back to home. After meals, Kulkarni went for a walk with his friend. There he had seen the Sanyasi. Sanyasi asked for dakshina and Kulkarni gave Him one Rupee. He asked again. Kulkarni gave Him two more Rupees. Sanyasi asked him to give more. Kulkarni gave Him three more Rupees. Still give me said Sanyasi to Kulkarni. If so come home, as I have this much only now. Alright, so let us go – saying so Sanyasi drove Kulkarni to his house. There when Kulkarni gave Him two more Rupees – sanyasi looked at all the change as if it were not sufficient. Kulkarni gave Rs.10/- note to the Sanyasi. Then that Sanyasi gave back nine Rupees (Rs.1/- give by his wife and then Rs. 1- + 2+3+2 given by Kulkarni himself) and started off with Rs.10/- note. After the sanyasi left, Kulkarni understood that since he said to his wife, that he would have given Rs.10/- if he were at house when the Sanyasi had come, so sanyasi asked him

repeatedly and took Rs.10/=. That Sanyasi might be none other than Baba Himself, that's why knowing my mind, repeatedly asked and took Rs.10/- only. Thinking so Kulkarni rushed to Shirdi and took Baba's darshan. Kulkarni took Baba's Udi and Baba's hair which fell on the floor, preserved it in his Talsiman which was tied to his hand.

Udi is the medicine for all diseases. Mixing that in water and when taken while remembering Baba's name, any disease will be cured at that instant. Pains and sufferings will subside. With Udi one becomes completely healthy.

'Haribhav Karnik', took darshan of Baba and offered clothes on one 'Guru Poornima day'. He also wanted to give Rs.1/- as dakshina, but without giving it, when he went to Nashik and took darshan of Sri Ram and returning back, one yogi caught his hand, asked for Rs.1/- dakshina and took. Whatever offering we owe to Baba, He will collect the same, by squeezing one's nose. Baba gives to the devotees whatever they ask and desire. Like that whatever the devotees think of giving to Baba, even though the devotee forgets, Baba will not leave them, till He somehow takes it from them.

Aum Sri Sainathanamaha:

Chapter – 37

A doctor has cured many patients from many diseases. But couldn't cure his nephew's boil by using any medicine. Some advised the boy's parents to go to Shirdi and show it to Baba. They did like that. Baba applied Udi on his boil

with His nectar like hands. Giving Udi to the boy's parents, Baba told them by applying the Udi the boil will get cured. Baba blessed them saying those who come to Dwarakamayee and seek refuge, the difficulties will never come to them in life time. In four days the boy's boil got cured. They prostrated to Baba and returned to their village. To the boy's maternal uncle it all looked surprising and thought that he also should go to Baba and take darshan. But as someone told against and ridiculed Baba, he cancelled going to Shirdi. He was treating a patient from a long time to cure the fever but failing. The patient's relatives were scolding doctor's treatment and insulting him. Any medicine and trails the doctor couldn't get success for his efforts. Lastly, when decided in his mind that, if the patient's fever is cured and the abuse of insulting him goes off, he will go and see Baba – at that – instant the patient's fever came down and was cured. Doctor understood Baba's greatness, reached Shirdi, took Baba's darshan and sought His pardon. His position and earnings grew due to the blessings of Baba. In front of God everyone has to be a slave, whoever one may be. God only is great – powerful and good amongst all. That God's divine powerful form is Baba Sri Shirdi Sai Baba.

Pillai has gunia warm boil. Pillai told Kaka that he is not able to bear the pains of the boil and felt like dying. Please tell Baba on my behalf that I am not able to bear the discomfort & pains of this boil, so postpone this suffering to the next birth. Kaka came and told this to Baba. Why to postpone to next birth, I will cure it right now, bring him – said Baba. Kaka went and brought Pillai. Baba made Pillai to lie down in a corner and rest

in corner. Take rest, in the meantime one crow will come and cure you – said Baba. After some time, as usual, Abdul who came to clean Masjid, could not see Pillai lying in the corner and in the darkness, put his foot on Pillai's boil and pressed. The boil got ruptured/burst. The worms from the boil came out. Pillai wept screaming & shouting bitterly. Seeing to Baba, Pillai asked - where is the crow which you said will come to cure my boil, though suffering with pain? Crow has come! It treated you! Could you not see? That was 'Abdul the crow' said Baba. Hearing this all laughed. Cleaning the ruptured boil and applying Udi to that, the boil completely cured in four days. Different diseases Baba cures in different ways and methods. Any better doctor than Baba will be available there? He is the person to cure all diseases and ailments.

Shyama's brother's wife got big boils, having acquired Plague disease, the severity of the fever also increased. Having known this Shyama asked Baba's permission to go. Don't go now, it is already midnight. Go tomorrow morning. Tell them to apply Udi on the boils and put some Udi in the water and made her drink; tell them Allah will cure said Baba to Shyama. As they did like this, she was cured and got up to sit. Next day when his sister-in-law got-up in the morning, made tea and offered to Shyama, he was surprised. When Baba's blessings are given, the diseases immediately get cured. And when Udi is given, no disease will come back again. Baba's words, hands & blessings are really great and unailing.

One Iranian person's daughter is having fits disease. She fell down and fervently shaking her legs & head. The Iranian

person couldn't do anything. In the meantime Dixit came, saw that and applied Baba's Udi which he had, on the girl's forehead, mixed a little bit Udi in the drinking water and made her drink. The girl's fits were cured and she got-up and sat. Dixit gave some more Udi to the Iranian person and requested them to use it, remembering Baba. As they did like that she never had fits again. If Baba is not available at hand, and if Udi is there will work like a doctor. Belief and faith in Baba is required.

One person was having stones in kidney and was told to undergo an operation to remove the stones. He was old and didn't have money, so without undergoing operation he was bearing the pain. In the meantime, one of Baba's devotees came to that village. Knowing that he came from Baba, the villagers informed him about the old man's problem. He gave the Udi which he had with him to the old man and told him to mix the Udi in water and take daily remembering Baba, and Baba will cure you. As he did like that, the stones totally got dissolved and came out with urine. The old man prayed to Baba in his mind itself with happiness. On being relieved from pain, the old man thought that, if the Udi which was touched by Baba has got such a power, then how powerful Baba Himself would be, can we imagine No??

One lady was suffering severely during delivery time. Devotees told to take her to Baba at the time of delivery, and they did like that. She took Baba's darshan and came back after taking Baba's blessings. This time she had more severe pains and every one surprised. Then devotees mixed Udi in the water and made her drink and next moment, she had safe delivery. Udi

is better than medicine. If Udi is in the house, then that house has medicine for all diseases. Remembering Baba as doctor one should take the Udi as medicine. Udi's power (has no limits) is either this much or that much. Fear, Fever, Vomiting, Shocks for all this, the best medicine is Udi.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 38

Baba asks and takes from the devotees their evil deeds & acts in the form of dakshina. Not knowing that thing, one Kaka's friend, when Kaka asked him to come to Baba and brought him to Baba, he said that he will not pay his obeisance to Baba and will not give dakshina at all. Kaka said alright to that. When both of them together reached Shiridi and took Baba's darshan, Baba has invited Kaka's friend with great respect. In Baba's voice he heard his father's voice and was surprised. All of a sudden he paid his respects at Baba's feet; it was now the turn of Kaka to get surprised. Baba used to ask Kaka twice a day and take dakshina while his friend was looking. He was asking only Kaka and not him made him doubtful. Why do you have doubt that I am not asking you? You said you didn't like giving dakshina, as Baba was saying so he was surprised as how Baba could know it? Paid obeisance at Baba 's feet – great mistake done, I could not realise your power and spoke something, please pardon me saying so, even though Baba was objecting, pleaded Baba and Kaka's friend gave dakshina. Now, the curtain between us has got removed, immediately go home

said Baba to him. Kaka and he came home and opened the door. When tried to open the window, there they found two dead sparrows. Third was found grasping for life. As they opened the windows, that third bird flew away happily. That could be the reason why Baba drew them away from Shirdi, at least one sparrow could be saved, felt both Kaka and his friend.

Kaka's owner Mr. Thakkar observed Kaka frequently coming to Shirdi taking Baba's darshan, thought to test Baba and came along with Kaka and one more person to Shirdi. Thakkar offered Grapes to Baba, and Kaka offered dry grapes. Baba distributed grapes brought by Thakkar as Prasad to all. Thakkar put these in his pocket as the grapes will have seeds and he was asked not take seeded grapes. Baba understood that and ordered Thakkar to eat those grapes. Thakkar did like that and he got grapes without seeds. He was surprised. Baba asked Kaka which type of grapes he got. Kaka said that he got all grapes with seeds. Hearing that Thakkar was more surprised. Then Baba said – one person came to test me, having lot of money & healthy person. Hearing that Thakkar thought in mind that Baba was telling all this about him. Baba again asked Kaka for dakshina, took it and said – Kaka I will not ask dakshina from any one unnecessarily. This life's donations, are for next life and earlier life's donations will be helpful in this life. If donated, the money will come back in leaps and bounds and make us wealthier. Money always to be spent for charity. Each offering to God will come back to us as 10 times wealth. Should get rid of evil deeds in the form of donations – this way Baba has given preaching. Like that Baba's words got to Thakkar's mind. Surrendering to Baba,

Thakkar fell on Baba's feet and begged for Baba's kindness and grace. With Baba's divine advices Thakkar's doubt and illusions were all cleared. He felt, his heart / mind became lighter.

One person was not getting sleep in the night and was suffering a lot, when he was about to go to sleep , his dead father exactly comes at that time, scold him whatever comes to his mouth, spoil's his mind, tease him and then go. He suffered with this hell for a long time. Once one Baba's devotee had met him. He told him about his difficulty. Baba's devotee immediately remembered Baba and gave him Udi and told him to apply some as tilak and mix some Udi in water and drink. This photo graph is of Baba. Keep this in front of you on the wall – saying so he gave him Baba's photo. As he did like that, his problem was solved from that day itself. He canvassed Baba's great deeds.

One Balaji used to sweep the path Baba walked and kept it clean. Used to stick to Baba only like an eye lid and care for Him. Used to look after His needs. Used to offer his total crop at Baba's feet. His whole life he dedicated in Baba's service. After his death, his son walked on his father's path. Got Baba's divine blessings.

It was Patil's death anniversary day. All the relatives have come. Patil's wife got worried, as to what to do, how to do and make every one satisfied and send them. This, the daughter –in- law realised. Mother –in- law don't be frightened. Baba will look after everything. Don't get worried as the food cooked may not be sufficient. Baba is there to adjust to everybody – saying so she covered the utensils containing food with a cloth, sprinkled

some Udi on them and remembered Sai. That's it, not only the food was more than sufficient, still some food was left out. Food was distributed to the residents of that village as Prasad. What proof can we get than this to know Baba's divine greatness?

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 39

Raghu Patil once came to Balaji Patil, who is a resident of Shirdi. There Balaji was milking the cows in the cow shed. His two wives were there. Raghu Patil was also there. Exactly at that time a big snake came there. All were afraid. But Balaji, kept a full bowl of milk and said Sai here is the milk, drink. That snake drank the milk and disappeared. Everyone was surprised. Later when Balaji took darshan of Baba, He offered clothes to him and blessed him.

Two devotees came to Baba from Goa. From one of them Baba asked and took Rs. 15/- as dakshina. Second person, even though not asked was about give Rs.30/- as dakshina. But Baba denied it. Shyama with surprise said what is this Baba? It's like that! I will take from those who owe me – said Baba. As he was thinking as when did I owe to Him? If you get a job, you thought of giving first month's salary to me, but not given till now. That's why I asked and took it – as Baba was saying so, his devotion to Baba further increased as Baba read the doubt in his mind and reminded him about the owe. Shyama had given him food as per Baba's orders. After that he told – In my job in Goa, I thought of offering the first salary of Rs. 15/- to Dattatreya on receipt in hand. But forget it. But Baba got it from me like this.

All forms are Baba only which I understood now – told that person his story to Shyama. Approximately for about 30 years, in my house I got arranged a Brahmin cook. He ran away stealing Rs. 30/- . When I was worrying, one sanyasi came, consoled me, told me about Baba and said that I should relinquish an item which is very loving to me till I get my money back. I did like that. After 15 days, Brahmin cook came on his own, gave my money back to me and said that, because of his disturbed mind he did like that. Till I took darshan of Baba, my mind was restless. Now it has become calm - said the second person to Shyama. With Baba's darshan all unrest / disorders, evil deeds will get removed. Mind will be at peace.

The wife of Anurang Ambedkar didn't have children. She came along with his adopted son to Shiridi and took Baba's darshan. Wanting to tell Baba when He is alone about her agony, she waited for months together. Not getting Baba's darshan, she told her problem to Shyama. Mother take coconut & agarbatti and stand outside Masjid at the time of midday meal. Looking to the opportune time, I will indicate to you. Then you can meet Baba and talk – saying so Shyama advised her. She did like that. When Shyama indicated her, she came and gave the coconut & Agarbatti to Baba. Shyama, what noise this coconut making listen – saying so Baba shook that coconut on both ways – as the kernel is rotating in the coconut, like that bless her also that a child rotate in her womb – prayed Shyama to Baba. Alright, she will have a baby in her lap before this year end. Saying so Baba gave His blessings. She gave birth, came to Baba, kept the baby in Baba's lap and happily offered Rs. 500/- as

dakshina. With that money Baba purchased one horse and named it as "Shyama Karni". A shed was built for the horse. Baba fulfils any of the devotee's wishes, just like that. Will not allow to hurt any once heart/mind. Baba is compassionate.

Aum Sri Sainathanamaha:

Chapter – 40

Baba used to sleep one day in Masjid, one day in Chavadi. He was a 'Sthita pragnya'. From 10-12-1910 all the devotees together started doing Aarati and pooja. First used to do Bhajana, then Baba was walking in the front and then behind Him were the chariot and the Bhajan group. In the Bhajan devotees used to play clasps & Mrudangams. On all sides and corners of Masjid devotees used to tie garlands. Baba's horse Shyamakarni' used to stand outside in the front.

When Tatya used to give his hand to Baba and lift, Baba kept His wooden baton in the hand, and with Kafini, tobacco, the fire pipe and towel like upper garment – started walking. With the right leg's big (toe) finger Baba used to push the fire wood up in to the sacred fire (Dhuni), with right hand switched off the lamp, and used to walk to chavadi. Every one used to participate in these celebrations. Sacred musical sounds, repetitions of Sai nama, hails of victory, some people dance some devotional songs, others waving of fans, (left hand) of Baba, Tatya (right hand) of Baba Malhsapati held, behind Bapusaheb held the umbrella for Baba, Baba used to walk peacefully. Horse used to walk in the front. Kaka used to

sprinkle flowers and colours. Taty Patil used to carry lantern and walk on Baba's right hand. Among the group of devotees Baba used to walk. On reaching chavadi, they used to make Baba sit on a raised seat (sofa). The raised seat (sofa) was decorated cleanly and beautifully. Devotees used to put new clothes on Baba, a gem studded crown on head, put garland in the neck, applied sandal wood paste to the face, and tilak with camphor on the forehead. Used to wash the Lotus feet of Baba, offer water and other liquids, applied sandal paste to hands and offer betel-nut leaves pan. Give divine Aarati. After the celebrations Baba used to sleep on a bed arranged with soft bed sheets.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 41

Sixteen types of donations are there. Amongst all of them the best and also named as Parabrahma is 'Annadanam'. Baba used to beg for alms and took food. Lamps, light and Annadanam all these Baba liked very much. Baba used to purchase grocery on His own. Baba ground wheat on His own. Baba had two utensils to cook food. One was sufficient to cook for hundred persons, the second for fifty persons. In the open space in front of Masjid, Baba used to make a big fire wood (Hearth) stove and cooked pulav on His own. Baba used to measure on His own the water required for cooking food and poured in the vessel. Baba used to see by mixing the contents with His hands, whether the food is getting cooked or not and not with any other big spoon. In one vessel Baba cooked pulav

and in the second, mixed corn flour in water and cooked it and added butter milk, and Baba used to distribute this soup also to all along with pulav and made them drink. Nothing used to happen to Baba's hand, even though He put His hand in the boiling food. His hand only He used to use as a big spoon. Seeing this wonder devotees used to surprise. Baba used to offer the entire cooked items to Allah as (Oblation) prasadam. Baba then gave first to Malhsapati & Taty, and then used to do the Annadanam most happily to the rest of the devotees.

One day Nana came and took Baba's darshan. Baba shouted angrily at him. 'Nana! Is your friendship with me is like this? As Baba said so, Nana realised his fault and beg pardon form Baba and said to Baba that – he will never do it again like this. Before coming to Baba's darshan, Nana used to go to Datta Mandir in Kopergaon and come. As he didn't do like that today, got a thorn stuck in to his foot and experienced difficulties. That's what Baba asked. No one understood this, but Nana understood the meaning in Baba's word. Baba warned him not to do like that in future. Nana said yes to it. Even if only one grain is given in Baba's hand, the devotee's stomach used to be full. One day Hemad ate to his stomach full. Knowing this, Baba gave him buttermilk and poured more and more and made him drink. When Hemad was looking at Baba, grasping for breath, Baba said that you will not get this chance again, and will not get tasty buttermilk like this. And the inner meaning of Baba's words that He is about to take 'Mahasamadhi'. Then who will make you to eat like what I did by asking you again and again? This is what the meaning of Baba's words.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 42

Nanasaheb Chandorkar is a well versed person (Pandit). That's why pride took place in him. One day, while pressing Baba's feet, Nana was uttering something. Seeing that, Nana what are you saying – asked Baba? I am remembering one shloka from Bhagavagita said Nana to Baba. Whatever is that, you could have recited loudly, so that I would also hear said Baba to Nana. Nana read out the same to Baba and He heard. Shloka you have read well – can you tell the meaning - Said Baba? The meaning would be to know the 'self' one should serve those having experienced self-realisation, make them happy and ask them, those things required for us to know the 'self' - said Nana to Baba. 'PraniPatam' what is the meaning asked Baba. Prostration said Nana. What is the meaning of 'Pari Prasna' said Baba. Nana why the affix 'Pari' is in front of 'Prasna' asked Baba. Nana said, he didn't understand. Not only just taking darshan and prostrating to a self-realised person, as they are divine 'Guru Brahmas', one should completely surrender to them is the opinion of Great Sage Vyasa – explained Baba to Nana. As Baba explained like this the pride in Nana reduced and he felt shy. In his mind he had an opinion that Baba didn't know Sanskrit. That opinion cleared now. As Baba realised that Nana was feeling shy, when darkness is driven out, the light will come, when foolishness is driven out knowledge will come, when approach a Guru the disciple will shine, Guru is beyond human, possessing great divine powers and powerful. The disciple is full of 'dwait' philosophy. Guru will have abundant wealth of knowledge. Disciples are being covered by illusion having bad

feeling - bad acts – evil powers like I am this body – as Baba Said like this, Nana got enlightened and prostrated to Baba and begged for protection. Nana then believed with pure mind that Baba is complete incarnation of God.

Whatever work Baba initiates, used to do it without any pomp & show? Butti a millionaire was serving at Baba's feet. At that time Baba ordered him to construct temple and resting place. This Baba went and told in Butti's dreams as he was dreaming pressing Baba's feet. Shyama also got the same dream. Both informed this to each other and were surprised. The temple construction was started and was complete to some extent. While going to Lendi garden Baba used to see and feel happy. Construction works were going in full swing. All around the rooms and in the centre a spacious place for Krishna statue installation was arranged. On this matter Butti requested Shyama to ask Baba. Hearing this Baba said that I will be there.

Wada construction was not yet over. In the meantime Baba was suffering with fever. Once Baba said that – I will be in the stone wada. Butti was depressed. What will happen to the wada being constructed with almost at a cost of Rs. 4.0 Lakh? It was Dasera festival day. For Hindu's it is the most auspicious of auspicious days. Date 15.10.1918 Thursday. Exactly 12.00 noon time. Aarati was done for Baba. After Aarati Baba ordered everyone to go home. Only Shyama, Nimonkar, Balaji – Laxman, Balashimpi & Lakshmi bai didn't go home. Though Baba said them to go they stayed in Masjid. Baba sat on his throne and ate even the betel leaf Pan. Baba asked water to drink and they gave Him. Baba was not able to swallow the water.

Everyone looked in anxiety. Baba called Lakshmibai Shinde and gave her nine one rupee coins. After that asked them to take Him to the Mandir, being built by Butti. All of them prepared for this. Shyama called Baba. Uoo..... Saying so Baba opened His eyes by force and gave His blessings. Next moment Baba fell on one side. Pillai observed Baba's pulse and shouted loudly as 'BABA'.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter - 43

Once the mother of B.V.Dev, observed a Mahavrata for one month and decided to perform santarpana (donating food). Dev wrote a letter to Jog that, Baba must come for that Santarpana. Hearing that, Baba had sent a letter to Jog that, exactly at the time of serving food three of us will come. Before that a sanyasi met Dev at the station. He came exactly at 10.00 O'clock to Dev's house. When Dev asked him to wait for lunch (santarpana), he said three of us will come exactly at the time of serving food and went away. As said three of them came, had food and went. But Dev wrote a letter with a depressed mood that Baba didn't come. I will never miss my word. First I came, and then I told I will bring two more. Like that three of us had come. First I met you at station. You only could not recognise three of us - saying so Baba replied to Dev's letter, everyone was surprised.

At HemadPant's house Baba didn't took food not even once. Many times Hemad asked Him. If so alright, I will come exactly at noon time on that Holy day said Baba. The festival was over. All the relatives and friends together at Hemad's house waiting for Baba. The time has come for taking lunch. Baba didn't come. Hemad got worried. Exactly at that time, one Sanyasi came gave a photograph of Baba and went. Thinking that Baba had come in that form, Hemad kept all the dishes in front of that Baba's photo, offered to Him as Naivedyam and later on Hemad gave hospitality to his relatives. When said He will come, Baba will never miss His word. How He will come the devotees should know it.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter - 44

B. V. Dev thought of doing 'Gyaneshwari Geeta' Parayana. But that got stopped due to obstacles. This issue he explained and though given dakshina to Baba, again Baba asked Rs. 20/- as dakshina from him and took. Not only that, in a moment Baba became furious and shouted that my pieces of clothes have been lost did you steal them? After sometime Baba calmed down, and took Dev near to Him. You do the Parayana and follow it as to be understood by other people. When he tried to do like that, he felt as if he himself was not able to understand Bhagwat Geeta. Baba appeared in his dream, 'How can you teach Bhagwat Geeta to others, which you yourself have not

understood? You bring that to Me. Those words made Dev surprised and made him happy. At that moment he could not understand as how to praise Baba's miracles and grace as he was getting overwhelmed with happiness.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 45

On 28-9-1918 Baba suffered with severe fever. Baba stopped taking food. Even then He was giving darshan to devotees. Though He had hinted two years back that He is going to leave this mortal body, devotees could not take notice of it. In the year 1916, on Vijaya Dashami day, while returning after doing 'shimolangan' Baba became furious – took off clothes on His body and head, tearing them apart threw them in the fire. His eyes looked like burning balls. All were afraid and no one dared to go near Baba. Bhagoji Shinde a patient went to Baba and made Him wear a Lungi. Till midnight Baba had not calmed down. After that wore normal clothes and performed Chavadi ceremony. That was a Hint for Baba's MahaSamadhi. But who knows His inner Hidden meaning? That's why devotees could not recognise Baba's words.

Ramchandra Patil got ill. He was caught – up in fear that he may die. When he touched Baba's feet, No fear to you, your death certificate I tore apart! But I am thinking of Tatyā. He will die in 1918 on Vijaya dashami day. This thing should be kept 'secret' said Baba. With Baba's assurance, Patil's illness was cured. But he got worrying for Tatyā. As Baba said, Tatyā took ill and took to bed only. He was remembering Baba only. On Vijaya

Dashami day Bala Shimpi was going to Dada's wada. By that time already Taty's pulse became very feeble. Baba appeared to Dasganu in his dream on 16.10.1918 and said – get up –get up Masjid has fell down said Baba. By that time he came, Baba took Samadhi. Weeping Dasganu put garland to Baba. After that devotees did Annadanam, while doing Baba's nama-smarna.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 46

Baba attaining Mahasamadhi, has drowned everyone in the ocean of grief. Even during such times, all Muslims joined together and said – Baba belongs to our Religion! That's why 'Gori' should be built. The village Munsiff said – Baba's mortal remains should be kept in wada. Like this arguments went on. When brain storming done, as majority of the people insisted to keep Baba's mortal remains in wada, it was done in a traditional way. On one brick, Baba used to keep his head or one hand and slept thinking it as pillow. One day that brick fell and became two pieces. Then itself Baba thought that I am going to get self-realisation myself. This is the indication given by my Guru – remembered Baba.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 47

In the year 1886 - Baba said to Malhasapati that – I will come back in three days. Till such time protect my body carefully. If suppose I didn't come back, then make my Samadhi. Not only that there should be two flags also – said Baba. Breathing stopped, no pulse, Baba was just lying still.

Malhasapati took Baba's head in his lap and protected it like that for three days. After three days Baba started taking breath and woke up slowly. On seeing that there is no limit to the happiness of devotees. The devotees, surprised and happy they all praised Baba with thousand mouths.

Jog after retirement from job came to Shirdi along with his wife and stayed in the service of Baba. After Baba's Samadhi also, he continued doing Baba's aarati and service, such a great lucky person he was. I can speak to you all from Maha Samadhi, can correct and guide your lives said Baba. I will not leave those he consider Me as omnipresent. I will be attached as shadow with them said Baba. Devotees should know that Baba is the only person to say yes when just called as 'Sai'. Sai is always bestowal of wishes.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 48

Once when Kaka was doing Bhagwat discourse, Anandrao was whispering something in the ears of Shyama. Their murmuring and whispering had become a hindrance/disturbance to the discourse. Seeing that Baba asked what is the matter? Then Shyama said – Baba you appeared to Anandrao in his dream and said that, if one has tremendous devotion in mind, no need to campaign outside, same thing he told me in my ears. No one knows where Baba was till such time.

Baba came to Shirdi along with the marriage party. Not able to bear devotee's nuisance, Baba broke the swing and threw away. When Kaka wanted to bring it again Baba said – how can I sleep on the swing when Malhasapati sleeps on the floor – so don't bring the swing. If so I will make one for Malhasapati also. When Kaka requested like this – Baba said - it is possible only to those very pious, those who can sleep with open eyes only. Good and bad deeds of individuals will stick to them only – said Baba.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 49

Baba will be always with them, those who leave all the burdens on Baba. Kaka planned to perform his son's thread ceremony in Nagpur and marriage in Gwalior. Kaka came along with Nana and requested Baba to come. First I will send Shyama, after that I will reach before him. He will visit Gaya etc and will come. In the mean time I can come to you said Baba.

Shyama went to Nagpur to see the thread ceremony. Kaka gave Rs 200/- to Shyama. From there Shyama went to Gwalior. There his friend gave him Rs.100/- . Shyama got felicitation in Kashi. After staying in Ayodhya – Kashi, then stayed in Gaya in a chaultry. There Shyama went to Pandas's house. Saw Baba's picture there and felt extremely happy. I will be there before you said Baba! He recollected those words and having surprised, asked Panda as where from he got that picture. This I got from Shyama's house said Panda. When I asked Baba, immediately He gave it to me through Shyama – said Panda.

After that Panda has come to know that he is Shyama, as a devotee of Baba, Panda gave lot of respect to Shyama, made him ride on an elephant and felicitated him with great honour. Once Baba while returning after having gone to Lendi garden, in the midst He found a herd of goats. Baba purchased two goats from them by paying huge amount. As everyone surprised, Baba cautioned them why so much surprise! What history you know about them? These two were my friends in their last birth. Both were having love and harmony between them. The elder was lazy, the younger was earning with his intelligence. By killing the younger brother, the elder one wanted to grab the wealth. But the younger brother having come to know this revolted against his elder brother both fought and killed each other. Now they are born like these goats. Saying so Baba gave them horse grams. After that gave them back to the owner.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter -50

Once when Baba was sitting near a lake, a snake came there and tried to catch a frog and kill it. Seeing that - Baba released the frog from snake and saved it. A passer-by, who was seeing all this, came by the side of Baba sat there and asked about all this, Baba told him the whole story in detail. There is Shiva temple near our village. The villagers thought of repairing it, collected some donations and gave the money to the village elder. He was a miser. Half of the amount he swindled, and got only little repairing works of temple done and said that the money was insufficient. Even though the donations were collected and given again, he did some more repairs and

swindled the rest of the money. His wife was a devotee. She was good natured and of God-loving nature. She didn't like her husband's deeds. Shiva appeared in her dream and told her to complete the temple shrine; she told this to her husband. He just over ruled it as joke saying that it's all your illusion. Again Shiva appeared in her dream and told the same thing. She sold her ornaments for a very less amount of Rs. 1000/- and purchased a land in the procession of the priest. He sold it even though that land was not his own. That land was of Dubki a poor lady. She mortgaged that land with that person for Rs.200/-. Later on could not pay and get it released. That's why that person sold it.

That way the miser deceived his wife, Dubki and the God saying that he will build the temple shrine. During a cyclone time both husband and wife died due to lightning strike. In the next birth the miser was born as Veerabhadrappa in a Brahmin family. The wife was born as a wife to a priest. Dubki was born as Chenabasappa. He made friendship with Me. Basappa's daughter Gauri was my devotee. With my permission, Chenabasappa performed the marriage of Gauri with a poor Brahmin boy Veerabhadrappa. Gauri sold out the land given by her parents at high cost; all that money I want said Veerabhadrappa and fought with his wife. Shiva appeared in Gauri's dream and said that, from half of the money you have, spend it in the repair of Shiva temple. Chenabasappa approached Baba. Veerabhadrappa died and born like this snake, that Chenabasappa died and born like this frog. Frog frightened on seeing the snake, came to Me and made sounds praying that I should save its life, I did it – said Baba.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 51

Saptanekar was a law student. Along with him one person Shevade and few other students were practicing question and answers amongst themselves. As Shevade was not able to answer any question others laughed at him and made fun of him. So with this preparations how can you pass the exam – they all said to him? Then Saptanekar also laughed at him. Shevade told about Baba, Baba will be there for my support – said Shevade with faith. Hearing that Saptanekar was surprised. After that Shevade passed the examination. Saptanekar also passed examination and reached Shirdi with his brother. Took Baba's darshan. Baba shouted at him saying get out. When Shimpi tried to mediate also, Baba didn't listen to him. He left Shirdi and came out. His mind was not at peace. Next time Saptanekar came with his wife to Shirdi for Baba's darshan. Baba blessed both of them. He felt very happy. Baba gave a coconut to his wife. Like the water movement in the coconut a child will move in your womb, don't worry about the lost child, you were not destined for that - saying so Baba gave His blessings. After that when they got the baby, kept the baby in Baba's hands and said that, it was all the result of Your blessings Baba – saying so they expressed their happiness.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 52

Baba was very clever in removing the pride of the proud people; doubts of doubting natured people, teaching correct lessons to those who deserve. Hari Kanoba from

Mumbai doubting by nature came and took Baba's darshan. He had a silk bordered turban. He wore new sandals to his feet. When came to Baba's darshan he kept the sandals outside of Masjid and came. Though he was taking Baba's darshan, his mind was on his new sandals, with a fear that someone may steal them. When he came out really his sandals were lost. Making hue and cry he started asking everyone about his sandals. In the meantime a boy come shouting as 'Hari ka beta! Jarika Pheta!' This man went to him and said I am Hari's son; those sandals are of me so please give me. Having understood Baba's miracles, thinking that Baba taught him a good lesson, gave up the doubts and disbelief on Baba.

A sanyasi 'Somadeva swamy' came to Shirdi along with co Travellers. From a distance he saw the two flags on the Masjid. How one can become a great person who has desire to celebrates flag festivals? I will not come for darshan. As Somadeva swamy was saying like this to his co travellers, they brought him forcibly near Baba. Baba gave blessings to all others, but to Somadeva swamy Baba told that, what work you have with those who are eager to celebrate flag festivals etc. the moment Somedevaswamy heard this, he got surprised and immediately fell on Baba's feet and surrendered. Baba knew very well as to whom and how the pinch to be given. From then he became a great devotee of Baba and stayed in Shirdi sansthan.

Once one Muslim along with his family came for Baba's darshan. At that time near Baba Nana, Shyama and Malhasapati and many others were there. One lady took her covering over the head and prostrated to Baba. Nana was

staring at her without blinking the eyes. After they went away, Baba said to Nana that what you did was a mistake. God has created beauty in this world! That's for what? To enjoy! To see and feel happy! We have eyes only for that! Even though the eyes are meant for that, there is nothing wrong in enjoying the beauty and feeling happy. Having desire to own it is a mistake. Control of the senses is very much required. Mind is like a monkey. It does not have a brain and very restless in nature. That's why everyone has to control his own body – as Baba said this Nana bowed his head in shame and requested Baba to pardon him. However big a mistake of any one, Baba tells them in a very soft way and put them on correct path.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 53

Sri Vasudevanand Sarswati once sent a coconut for Baba through one named Pundalika Rao. When he said, he along with some of his friends were going to Shirdi, Sri Vasudevananda Sarswati had sent the coconut for Baba with him. On the way they felt thirsty; broke the coconut, drank the water and ate the kernel. When he was taking darshan Baba asked him – where is the coconut sent by my brother? Though he was surprised first, later he told the truth and requested Baba to pardon him. Not only that, he said he will purchase another one and bring. Why did I need the ordinary coconut? That coconut which was sent by my brother had greatness and power – as Baba said so he felt very sorry. Later on Baba consoled him. Though first Baba became angry, later when saw the devotees feeling shameful, as Baba could not see this He gives his nectar

like grace freely flowing.

Aum Sri Sainathayanamaha:

Chapter – 54

Whoever does Parayana of 'Baba's Charitra', they will always be happy. One should start Parayana of Charitra always on Thursday. God becomes bonded for devotees. Parayana should not be left out which give all the victories at all times and all the while. However much sweet is eaten, one does not get satiated. Like that how many times one does Parayana, still the tongue desires to repeat the Parayana. No limit to the happiness. No satisfaction for Parayana. One feels like doing the parayana again. With this we get both inner & outer comforts. Baba will always be behind them like a shadow those who continuously do the parayana. The day we get the thought of doing Baba's parayana itself one can think of that day as good day and auspicious day. Baba's parayana thought comes only to remove evil deeds, difficulties, sorrows and to accumulate wealth and provide happiness. It may come to our mind on its own. Or Baba may come in some ones form and may tell us because of the compassion of Baba. That's why even if we can't think, should make a habit of carefully listen to those who are thinking about us and follow them.

It's good to have Baba's photo in every ones house, Udi and the parayana grantha compulsorily. If you eat, it will be beneficial to you. Then what about others? That's why while you

eat whatever you have, from that only, make a habit of giving something to others. Likewise, don't have selfish motive of benefiting yourself by doing parayana, but while you do parayana daily, in the same way, to those who doesn't know about Baba and make them as Baba's devotees, along with your Parayana Book, distribute this Baba's Parayana book to at least five persons or 9 persons or 11 persons as per your capacity or to more persons also. Because of Baba those persons, whoever might have benefited or whose difficulties might have lessened, from that fruit of good deeds, a portion of it will come and add to your already accumulated good deeds. Money will not come along with you. For whoever it may be only the effect of good deeds that only will accompany. That will come by sharing the devotion and to do service to others. With devotion and by service to others and making others read the Parayana books, helping at least a few people whoever you wish to and earn the effect of good deeds. We will not get satisfaction in anything, other than being helpful and supportive to others. God also says the same thing. Baba also asks us the same. Once completing the parayana of this Charitra, send Rs. 11/- to Baba. Saying that – Baba such a wonderful Charitra you have given us! That's why after doing parayana of this Charitra every time, offering Rs.11/- as dakshina to you Baba. Like this send the amount as Guru Dakshina to Shirdi

Sloka - Ananda maanadakaram Prasannam

Gnyana Swaroopam Nija bodhayuktam

Yogeendra Meedyam Bhavaroga Vaidyam

Sri Sadgurum Nitya Maham Namami!!

Sloka - Sada Kalpa Vrukshsya Tasyadhimoole

Bhavadhbhavaa Bhudhya Saparyaadi Sevam

Nrunnam Kurutyam Bhukti Mukti Pradantam

Namameeswaram Sadguru Sainatham.

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Devotees can send dakshina to Baba as per address given above. Though Baba took Mahasamadhi, don't forget that Baba will accept our evil acts and difficulties in the form of dakshina. Baba's eyes will be on His devotees only.

Aum Shanti, Aum Shanti, Aum Shanti Hi :

Aum TAT SAT

Shri Sai Chalisa (English)

Bow to Lord Sai with faith and patience;
Thy Grace will remove ignorance;
Blessed are the grass, soil and dust of Shirdi;
By the touch of Sai, they became pure and holy;
Thou manifested under the Neem tree;
Thy incarnation was the mission of mercy;
Oh! Sai! Thy grace and power are infinite
Thy grace guides us beacon light;
Thy seat made Neem leaves so sweet;
Thy peaceful radiant face is a visual treat;
Thou descended on earth as a boy of sixteen;
Holy and handsome, merciful face of Thine;
Thy radiant, bright, lustrous face;
Gives us hope to cross the worldly maze;
Thy grace holds the Goddess of wealth;
Thy love blesses the sick with health;
The words Thy mouth utter are pure nectar;
No one knew Thy religion, Mother or Father;
Let our heart be blessed as Thy Holy seat;
Let our heads be sheltered at Thy Holy Feet;
Thy loving and merciful looks endear all;
Lord Sai begging with Tin Pot and Zoli;
Offerings to Thine made the donors so Holy;
Oh Sai! Thou art Lord Datta! Thou art Lord Shiva!

Thou art Lord Ram; Pir avalia and Lord Shyam;
Thou art Repository of Wisdom;
Whole Universe is Thy Kingdom;
As one wishes and prays intently
Thou shower him blessings lovingly;
Thy Name has infinite strength and power;
Thy Name removes anxiety, distress and fear;
Thou art savior of poor and helpless;
Thy wonderful miracles and leelas are endless;
Thou taught us love and equality;
Thou are symbol of peace and unity;
Thy feet remove the hatred of caste and creed;
Thy devotees overcome anger, jealous and greed;
Thy preaching's are pearls of Knowledge;
Ram and Rahim are One, was Thy message;
Thy grace gives the diseased good health
Thy blessings removes sins of all birth;
Merciful Sai helped the poor and helpless;
Sacred Udi is the most efficacious;
Thy merciful looks purifies our body and mind;
Sins burnt away by the God so kind;
Oh! Lord Sai! Thou art Antaryami!
We don't have anyone except Thee!
Thou have no caste, sect and religion
Spreading love and humanity were Thy mission;
Thou are protector of a simple devotee;
Thy spirit stands by him during calamity;
Thy name removes miseries and pain

Thy name showers happiness rain;
Thy name gives us immense pleasure;
Thy Holy Feet is our precious treasure;
Whoever observes 9 Thursdays vow
Thy grace removes all his pain and sorrow;
Meditate Sai's name with faith, day and night;
Sai will wipe our pain and relieve us from plight;
Long Robe adorned Holy Mendicant;
Uplifting the poor was mission of noble saint;
The Sweetness of thy words surpasses ambrosia;
Thy sacred Udi is a wonderful panacea;
Thou art Spiritual Quintessence;
Devotion to Thy Feet renders deliverance;
Thy marvelous act of turning water into oil;
Spread Thy fame as an aromatic pastille;
Thy words taught us not to be greedy;
To be kind and loving to helpless and needy;
Thy glory and power art infinity;
Thou art Trinity and Absolute Reality;
Thy name renders salvation;
Thy grace wards off consternation;
Thou are our Guru, guide and Helmsman;
The only One who ferry us over worldly ocean;
Utterance of thy Holy name is the only way
To keep troubles and sorrows at bay.

SHRI SAI BABA ASHTOTTARA NAMAVALI

(108 Names of Shirdi Sai Baba)

- 1 Aum Shri Sai Naathaaya Namah
- 2 Aum Lakshmi-naaraayanaaya Namah
- 3 Aum Shri Raama Krishna Shiva Maarutyaadi-roopaaya
Namah
- 4 Aum Seshasaayine Namah
- 5 Aum Godaavaree-thata-shiladhi-vaasine Namah
- 6 Aum Bhaktha-hrudaalayaaya Namah
- 7 Aum Sarva-hrinnilaaya Namah
- 8 Aum Bhootha-vaasaaya Namah
- 9 Aum Bhootha-bhavishyad-bhaava-varjataaya Namah
- 10 Aum Kaalaatitaaya Namah
- 11 Aum Kaalaaya Namah
- 12 Aum Kaala-kaalaaya Namah
- 13 Aum Kaala-darpadhamanaaya Namah
- 14 Aum Mruthyunjayaaya Namah
- 15 Aum Amartyaaya Namah
- 16 Aum Martyaabhaya-pradaaya Namah
- 17 Aum Jeeva-dharaaya Namah
- 18 Aum Sarva-dharaaya Namah
- 19 Aum Bhaktha-vana-samarthaaya Namah
- 20 Aum Bhaktha-vana-pratignyaaya Namah
- 21 Aum Anna-vastradhaaya Namah
- 22 Aum Aarogya-kshemadhaaya Namah
- 23 Aum Dhana-maangalya-dhaaya Namah
- 24 Aum Riddhi-siddhi-dhaaya Namah

- 25 Aum Puthra-mithra-kalatra-bandhudaaya Namah
- 26 Aum Yoga-kshema-vahaaya Namah
- 27 Aum Aapad-baandhavaaya Namah
- 28 Aum Maargha-bandhave Namah
- 29 Aum Bhukthi-mukthi-swargaapavarga-daaya Namah
- 30 Aum Priyaaya Namah
- 31 Aum Priti-varhdhanaaya Namah
- 32 Aum Antaryaamine Namah
- 33 Aum Sachchidhaatmane Namah
- 34 Aum Nityaa-nandhaaya Namah
- 35 Aum Parama-sukha-daaya Namah
- 36 Aum Parameshwaraaya Namah
- 37 Aum Para-brahmane Namah
- 38 Aum Paramaatmane Namah
- 39 Aum Gynaana-svarupine Namah
- 40 Aum Jagatah-pitre Namah
- 41 Aum Bhakthaanaam-maathri-dhathri-pithaa-mahaaya
Namah
- 42 Aum Bhakthaabhaya-pradhaaya Namah
- 43 Aum Bhaktha-paraadhinaaya Namah
- 44 Aum Bhakthaanugraha-kaataraaya Namah
- 45 Aum Sharanaagata-vatsalaaya Namah
- 46 Aum Bhakthi-shakthi-pradhaaya Namah
- 47 Aum Gynaana-vairaagya-dhaaya Namah
- 48 Aum Prema-pradhaaya Namah
- 49 Aum Samsaya-hridaya-dowrbalya-paapakarma-

- vaasanaakshaya-karaaya Namah
50 Aum Hridaya-granthi-bhedakaaya Namah
51 Aum Karma-dhvamsine Namah
52 Aum Shuddha-sattva-sthitaaya Namah
53 Aum Gunaathita-gunaatmane Namah
54 Aum Anantha-kalyaana-gunaaya Namah
55 Aum Amitha-paraa-kramaaya Namah
56 Aum Jayine Namah
57 Aum Durdharsha-kshobhyaaya Namah
58 Aum Aparajithaaya Namah
59 Aum Tri-lokeshu-avighaatha-gataye Namah
60 Aum Ashakya-rahitaaya Namah
61 Aum Sarva-shakthi-murthaye Namah
62 Aum Su-roopa-sundaraaya Namah
63 Aum Sulochanaaya Namah
64 Aum Bahu-roopa-vishva-murthaye Namah
65 Aum Aroopaavyakthaaya Namah
66 Aum Achintyaaya Namah
67 Aum Sookshmaaya Namah
68 Aum Sarvaantaryaamine Namah
69 Aum Mano-vaagathitaaya Namah
70 Aum Prema-murthaye Namah
71 Aum Sulabha-durlabhaaya Namah
72 Aum Asahaaya-sahaayaaya Namah

- 73 Aum Anaathanaatha-dheena-bandhave Namah
- 74 Aum Sarva-bhaara-bhrite Namah
- 75 Aum Akarmaaneka-karma-sukarmine Namah
- 76 Aum Punya-shravana-kirthanaaya Namah
- 77 Aum Theerthaaya Namah
- 78 Aum Vasu-dhevaaya Namah
- 79 Aum Sathaangataye Namah
- 80 Aum Sath-paraayanaaya Namah
- 81 Aum Loka-naathaaya Namah
- 82 Aum Paava-naanaghaaya Namah
- 83 Aum Amrithaam-shave Namah
- 84 Aum Bhaskara-prabhaaya Namah
- 85 Aum Brahmacharya-tapas-caryaadi-suvrathaaya Namah
- 86 Aum Sathya-dharma-paraayanaaya Namah
- 87 Aum Siddheshwaraaya Namah
- 88 Aum Siddha-sankalpaaya Namah
- 89 Aum Yogeshwaraaya Namah
- 90 Aum Bhagavate Namah
- 91 Aum Bhaktha-vatsalaaya Namah
- 92 Aum Sath-purushaaya Namah
- 93 Aum Purushothamaaya Namah
- 94 Aum Sathya-tattva-bodhakaaya Namah
- 95 Aum Kaamaadi-shad-vairi-dhvamsine Namah
- 96 Aum Abhed-aanandhaanubhava-pradaaya Namah
- 97 Aum Sama-sarva-mata-sammathaaya Namah

- 98 Aum Shri Dakshinaa-murthaye Namah
99 Aum Shri Venkatesha-ramanaaya Namah
100 Aum Adbhutaa-nanthacharyaaya Namah
101 Aum Prapannaarathi-haraaya Namah
102 Aum Samsaara-sarva-dukkha-kshaya-karaaya Namah
103 Aum Sarva-vitsarvatho-mukhaaya Namah
104 Aum Sarvaantar-bahih-sthitaaya Namah
105 Aum Sarva-mangala-karaaya Namah
106 Aum Sarvaabhishta-pradaaya Namah
107 Aum Samarasa-sanmaarga-sthaapanaaya Namah
108 Aum Shri-samartha-sadguru-Sai-naathaaya Namah

Shri Sai Baba Ashtottara Shatanamavali Samaptham
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KAAKAD (WAKE UP) AARATI (Morning Aarati)

Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath MaharaajkiJai

*Joduniyaakara charanee ttevilaa mathaa
Parisawee vianthee maajzee Pandhareenaathaa*

*Aso naso bhaava aalo tujziyaa ttaayaa
Kripaa drishtee paahe majzakade Sadgururaayaa*

*Akhandeetaasaave aise vaatate paayee
Sandooneesankoch ttaava todaasaa deyee.*

*TukaahmaneDevaa maajzee vedeevaakudee
Naame bhavapaasaa haathee aapulyaathondi*

*Uttaa Paandurangaa prabhaatasamayopaatalaa
Vaishnawaancha melaa garudapaaree daatalaa*

*Garuda paaraapaasuneemahaadwaaraa payanta
Suravaraanchee maandeeubhee jodooniya haat*

*Suka sanakaadika naarada tumbara bhaktanchyaa kotee
Trisool damaroo ghewooniwubhaa girijechaa patee*

*Kaleeyugeechaa bhaktaNamaa ubhaakeertanee
Paatteemaage ubhee dolaa laavuniyaaJanee*

*Utta utta Sri Sainaathaguru charana kamala daavaa
Aadhivyaadhibhavataapa vaarunee taaraa jadajeevaa*

*Gelee tumha soduniyaa bhava tama rajanee vilayaa
Pareehi agnaanaasee tumachee bhulavi
yogamaayaa Sakthi na amhaa yatkinchitahee tijalaasaaraya
Tumheecha teete saaruni daavaa mukha jana taaraayaa*

*Bho Sainaatha Maharaaja bhava timiranaasaka ravee
Ajnaanee aamhee kitee tav varnaavi thoravee
Thee varnitaabhaagale bahuvadani sesvidhikavee*

*Mercifully, therefore,
O Lord you alone can describe your greatness.*

Sakripa hounimahimaa tumachaa tumheecha vadavaava

*Aadhivyaadhibhavataapa vaarunee taaraa jadajeevaa
Utta utta Sri Sainaathaguru charana kamala daavaa
Aadhivyaadhibhavataapa vaarunee taaraa jadajeevaa*

*Bhakta manee sadbhaava dharooni je tumha anusarale,
Dhyaanyasthawa te darsana tumache dwwari ubhe ttee
Dhyaanasthaa tumhaa asapaahunee mana amuche ghaale,
Paree thwadvachanaamritha praasaayaate aatura jzhaale*

*Ughadooneenetrakamalaadeenabandhu Ramakaanta,
Paahi baakripadrishtee baalakaas jashee maaataa
Ranjavee madhuravaaneeharee taapaSainaatha*

*Aamhceechaapule karyaasthava tujakashtavito Deva
Sahanakarasil aikuni dyaavee bhett Krishna daava*

*Utta utta Sri Sainaathaguru charana kamala daavaa
Aadhivyaadhibhavataapa vaarunee taaraa jadajeevaa*

*Utta Panduranga aataa darash dhya sakala
Jzhala arunodaya sarali nidrechi vela*

*Sant sadhu muni avaghe jhaleti ghola
Soda sheje sukhe aata bagdu ghya mukhakamala*

*Rang mandapi mahadwarijzaalise daati
Man utaaveelroop pahaway a drishti.*

*Rahee rakhumabai tumhayewoo dya daya
Sheje haalawunee jage kara Dev raya*

*Garud Hanumant ubhe paahatewaata
Swargiche surwara ghewuni aale bobhaat*

*Zhale mukthadwar laabha zhala rokada
Vishnudas naama ubha ghewooni kakada.*

Ghewuniya panchaarati, karoo Babansiaarati

Utta utta ho bandhawa. Owaaloo ha Ramadhava.

*Karooniya sthira mana, pahu gambhirira he dhyan
KrishnanathaDatt Sai jado chitta tujze paayee*

*Kaakad aarati kareeto Sainatha deva
Chinmaya roop daakhavee ghewuni balak laghu seva*

*Kaamkrodhmad matsar aattunee kaakada kela
Vairagyache toop ghaaluni mee to bhijaveela*

*Sainath Gurubakti jwalaneto mee petawila Tad vryitti jaluni guroo
neprakash paadila
Dwaitatamanaasoonimilavi tatswaroopijeewa*

*Chinmaya roop daakhavee ghewuni balak laghu seva
Kaakad aarati kareeto Sainatha deva
Chinmaya roop daakhavee ghewuni balak laghu seva*

*Bhoo khechara vyaapooni awaghe hritkamali raahasee
Tochi dattaadev tu siradee raahuni paawasee
Rahooniyethe anyatrahitoo baktaastava dhavasee
Nirasooniyaasankata daasaa anubhawadaavisee
Na kale twalleelahee konyaa devaawaaa maanavaa*

*Chinmaya roop daakhavee ghewuni balak laghu seva
Kaakad aarati kareeto Sainatha deva
Chinmaya roop daakhavee ghewuni balak laghu seva*

*Twat yasha dundubheenesaare ambarhe kondale
Sagun murti paahanyaa aatur jan Shirdee aale Praashuni
twadvachanaamrita aamuche dehabhaanhaarapale Sodooniya
durabhimaan maanas twaccharanee waahile Kripa karooniya
Sai maawle daas padarighyaawaa*

*Chinmaya roop daakhavee ghewuni balak laghu seva
Kaakad aarati kareeto Sainatha deva
Chinmaya roop daakhavee ghewuni balak laghu seva*

*Bhaktaachiyapotee bodh kaakada jyoti
Pancha prana jeevebhaweowaaloo aarathi
Owaaloo aaratee maajyzapandhareenaatha majyzaSainathaa
Donhi kara jodonee charanee ttevilaa mathaa*

Born of devotion, the light of perception is the lamp for this dawn Aarti. I do Aarti with my entire being, my mind and fervent faith. I do Arati, O my Pandharinatha, O my Sainatha (Vithal or Vithoba) and with folded hands, I lay my head at your feet.

*Kaay mahima varnoo aataasanganeekitee
Kotee brahma hatya mukha pahataa jaatee*

How shall I describe your greatness? Who can extol it? Even the tremendous sin of killing a thousand brahmins is washed away by your mere *darshan*.

Sainath Gurumaajhe aae Majlaala thaav dhyaavaa paayeen

*Datta raaja Guru majhe aae
Majlaala thaav dhyaavaa paayeen
Sainath Gurumaajhe aae
Majlaala thaav dhyaavaa paayeen*

Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath MaharaajkiJai
Let us Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!

*Prabhaat samayeen nabhaa shubh raviprabha phaankalee
Smare gurusadaa ashaa samayin tya chhale naa kalee
Mhanoni karajodoonee karu ataa Guru praarthanaa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa*

*Tamaa nirasi bhaanu ha Guruhi naasi agnyaanataa
Parantu guruchee karaa na raviheekadhee saamyathaa
Punhaa thimir janmghe Gurukrupeni ajnaanataa naa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa*

*Ravi pragat howuni twaritaghaalawee aalasa
Tasa guruhi sodaweesakaldushkriti laalasa
Haroni abhimaanahae jadwi tatpadee bhavanaa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa
Guroosi upamaa dise vidhi hareeharaanchi unee
Kuttoni mag yeie tee kavaniyaa ugee paahunee
Tuzheech upama tulaa baravi shobhatesajjanaa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa*

If we compare the Guru with Brahma, or Harihar (MahaVishnu
or Sadashiv), the Guru is mightier.

*Samaadhi utaroniyaa Guru chalaashideekade
Twadeeya vachnokti tee madhur vaaritee saankhade
Ajaataripu Sadguro akhil paatakaa bhanjanaa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa*

*Ahaa susamayaasi yaa Guru uttoniyaa baisale
Vilokuni padaashrithaa tadiya aapade naasile
Asaa suhitakaari yaa jagati konihee anya naa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa*

*Ase bahut shaahanaapari na jyaa Guroochi kripaa
Na tatswahitatyaa kalae karitase rikaamyaa gapaa
JariGurupada dharisudhrid bhaktineh tho manaa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa*

*Gurovinati mee karee hridayamandireeyaa basaa
Samasth jag he guruswaroopachee ttaso maanasaa
Ghado satatsathkrutee matihi deh jagatpaavanaa
Samartha Guru Sainath puravee manovaasanaa*

*Preme yaa asthakaashi paduni Guruvaraa
Praarthitee jeprabhaatee Tyaanche chittasee deto
akhilharooniyaan Braanti mee nitya shaantee
Aise he Sainathe kathuneesucaville jevee yaa baalakaasee
Tevee tyaa Krishnapaayeenamuni
Savinayeh arpito ashtakaasee*

Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath MaharaajkiJai

Sai rahamnazarkarnaa Bachonkaa paalan karnaa (2X)
Sai, look at us mercifully, and take care of your children. (2X)

Jaanaatumneh jagat pasaaraa Sabahee jzhoott jamaanaa (2X)
Sai rahamnazarkarnaa Bachonkaa paalan karnaa (2X)

Mein and haahoon bandaaaabkaa Mujhse prabhu dikhlaanaa (2X)
Sai rahamnazarkarnaa Bachonkaa paalan karnaa (2X)

Daas Ganu kahe abkyaaboloo Thak gayi meree rasnaa. (2X)
Sai rahamnazarkarnaa Bachonkaa paalan karnaa (2X)

Rahamnajara karo, ab more Sayee Tuma bina nahee
muze ma-baapa- bhai Rahamnajara karo

Mein and haahoon banda tumhaaraa (2X),
Mein naa jaanoon (3X)
Allaah ilaahee Rahamnajara karo

Rahamnajara karo, ab more Sayee Tuma bina nahee
muze ma-baapa- bhai Rahamnajara karo

Khalee jamaanaa meineh gamaayaa(2X)
Saathee aakhar kaa (3X)
kiyaa nakoyee Rahamnajara karo,

Rahamnajara karo, ab more Sayee Tuma bina nahee
muze ma-baapa- bhai Rahamnajara karo

Apne maszhid ka zhaadoo Ganoo hai (2X)
Maalik hamaare (3X)
tum Baabaa Sayee, Rahamnajara karo,
Rahamnajara karo, ab more Sayee Tuma bina nahee
muze ma-baapa- bhai Rahamnajara karo

Tujzekai deuu Saawalyaa mee khaayaataree hoo
Tujzekai deuu Sadguru mee khaayaa taree
Mee dubaleebatik Naamyachee jaan Shreeharee (2X)

Uchishta tulaa dene hee ghosht naa baree hoo
Uchishta tulaa dene hee ghosht naa baree
Toon jagannaath tujze deon kashire bhaakaree (2X)

Bhakri? (Circular thick flat bread eaten mostly by the rural folk)

Nako ant madeeya pahoon sakhya bhagwantaa, Shrikaantaa
Maadhyahnraatra vultonigaelee hee aatan aanchittaa

Ja hoieel tujha re kaakadaa kee raolaantaree hoo Ja hoieel
tujha

re kaakadaa hee raolaantaree Aanateel bhakt naivedya
hinaanaaparee (2X)

Tujzekai deuu Saawalyaa mee khaayaataree hoo
Tujzekai deuu Sadguru mee khaayaa taree
Mee dubaleebatik Naamyachee jaan Shreeharee (2X)

Shreesadguru Baabaa Saayee hoo Shreesadguru Baabaa Saayee
Tujh waanchuni aashraya naahi bhutalee (2X)

*Mee paapeepatit dheemanda hoo Meepaapee patit dheemanda
Taarane malaa Gurunathaa jhadakari
Taarane malaa Sainathaajhadakari*

*Toon shaanti kshamechaa meroo hoo, Toon shaanti kshamechaameroo
Toon bhavaarnaveeche taaru Guruvaraa (2X)*

*Guruvaraa majzasi paamaraa ataan udharaa
Tvarit lavlaahee tvarit lavlaahee
Mee budato bhavbhaya dohee udharaa(2X)*

*Shreesadguru Baabaa Saayee hoo Shreesadguru Baabaa Saayee
Tujh waanchuni aashraya naahi bhutalee (2X)*

ShriSatchitaanand SadguruSainaathMaharaajkiJai

Letus Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!

*Raajaadhiraaja Yogiraaja ParaBrahma Sainaath Maharaaj
Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath Maharaajki Jai!*

Aum! King of Kings! King of Yogis! Absolute Brahman! Sainath Maharaj!
Letus Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!

MAADHYAANHA (MID DAY) AARATI

Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath MaharaajkiJai

Let us Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!

*Ghewuniya panchaarati, karoo Babansi aarati
Karoo Sai see aarati Karoo Babansi arati.*

*Utta utta ho bandhawa. Owaaloo ha Ramadhava.
SayeeRamadhava. Owaloo ha Ramadhava.*

*Karooniya sthira man, pahugambhirira he dhyan
Sayeeche hedhyan pahu gambhirira he dhyan*

*KrishnanathaDatt Sai jado chitta tujze paayee
Chitta Baba paayee Jadochitta tuzhe paayee*

*Aarti Sai Baba, saukhyadaataara jeeva. Charana rajaatalee
Dhyaava daasaan visaawaa, bhaktaa visaawaa. Aarti Sai Baba*

*Jaaluni yaa naanangswa swaroopee raache dhanga
Mumukshu janaan daavee nija dolaan Sreeranga,
dolaan Sreeranga. Aarti Sai Baba*

*Jayaa manee jaisaa bhaava tayaa taisaa anubhava
Daawisee dayaaghanaa aisee tujzee hee maava
tujzeeheemaava. Aarti Sai Baba*

*Tumache naama dhyaataan hare sansrithi vyathaa
Agaadha tava karanee maarga daawisee anaadhaa,
daawisee anaadhaa Aarti Sai Baba*

Meditation of your name removes the worldly sufferings.

*Kaliyugee avataarasaguna parabrahmsaachara
Avateerna jhaalase swami Datta digambara, Datta digambara
Aarti Sai Baba Aarti to you Sai Baba.*

*Aattan divasaan guruwaaree bhakta karitee waaree
Prabhupada pahaavayaabhavabhayaniwaree, bhaya niwaree
Aarti Sai Baba:*

*Maajan nijadravya tteewaa tav charanrajasevaa
Maagane hechiyaataa tumhan devaadhideva,
Devaadhideva Aarti Sai Baba*

The only wealth I desire is to serve at thy feet. O Lord of Lords.
We do Aarti to you Sai Baba.

*Ichchita deena chaatak nirmala toya nijasookha
Paajaawe maadhavaa yaa saambhal aapulee bhaaka,
aapulee bhaaka Aarti Sai Baba*

Just as the chatak bird desires to drink pure raw water , so O
Lord! And kindly give me your assurance (that I will receive
such direct knowledge). We do Aarti to you SaiBaba.

Refrain:

*Saukhyadaataara jeeva. Charana rajaatalee
Dhyaava daasaan visaawaa, bhaktaa visaawaa. Aarti Sai Baba*

*Jaya Deva Jaya Deva Datta avadhutaa, O Sayee avadhutaa
Jodoonikara tavacharaneettevito maathaa, Jaya Deva Jaya Dev*

Hail Lord! *Datta Avadhuta!* (a divine Incarnation) O Sai
Avadhuta! With my folded hands, I place my head at your feet.
Hail Lord! Hail Lord!

*Avataraseentoo yaetaan dharmaante glanee,
Naastheekaanaaheetoo laavisi nijabhajanee
Daavisi naanaa leela asankhya roopaanee,
Harisee dheenanche too sankata dinarajanee*

You take *Avatar* (Incarnation) when *Dharma* (purity and righteousness) declines; Even the non-believers develop faith in you. Showing many types of *Leelas* (Graces) in your innumerable forms; you remove the miseries of your devotees, day and night. Hail Lord...

*Jaya Deva Jaya Deva Datta avadhutaa, O Sayee avadhutaa
Jodoonikara tavacharaneettevito maathaa, Jaya Deva Jaya Dev*

*Yavana swaroopee aikhyaa darshana twaan dhidhale,
Samsaya nirsuniyaan thathdwaitaa ghaalavile
Gopichandaa mandaa twaanchee uddharile,
Mominavamsee janmuni lokaan taariyale*

You gave *Darshan* (divine vision) to someone in the guise of Muslim. By removing all doubts, you set him on the path leading towards the unity with the Self. Even Raja Gopichanda and the river Mandakini (Ganges) were purified by you. Born of a Muslim family of weavers you had brought salvation to all the people. Hail Lord Sai...

*Jaya Deva Jaya Deva Datta avadhutaa, O Sayee avadhutaa
Jodoonikara tavacharaneettevito maathaa, Jaya Deva Jaya Dev*

*Bhed na tathwee hindoooyavananchaakaanhee
Daawayaansee jzaalaa punarapi naradehee
Paahasin premaane too Hindu yavanaanee,
Daavisiaatmatwaane vyaapaka haa sayee*

You do not distinguish between Hindus and Muslims. In the

present human form taken by you, you give the same look of love both to the Hindus and Musliems and establish the universality of your love. Hail Lord Sai...

*Jaya Deva Jaya Deva Datta avadhutaa,
O Sayee avadhutaa*

*Jodoonikara tavacharaneettevito maathaa,
Jaya Deva Jaya Dev*

*Devaa Sayeenaathaa twatpadanata vhaahe,
paramaayaamohita janamochanajhaninvhaave
Twakripayaasakalaanchesankata nirasaawe
deshilatari de twadhyash krishnaane gaave*

O the Lord Sainatha, I would always like to be at your feet, Liberate the mankind stepped inworldly illusions and remove their difficulties by your grace. If you desire to give me anything, then give *Krishna* (composer of this portion of *Aarti*) the ability to sing your prayers. Hail Lord...

*Jaya Deva Jaya Deva Datta avadhutaa, O Sayee avadhutaa
Jodoonikara tavacharaneettevito maathaa, Jaya Deva Jaya Dev*

*Shirdee maajze Pandharapura SaibabaRamaavara
Baba Ramaavara, Sai Baba Ramaavara*

Shirdi is my *Pandharpur*. Sai Baba is the husband of Rama i.e. Lord Vishnu. Baba is the presiding deity there. Sai...

*Shuddha bhaktee chandrabhaabagaa, Bhaava pundaleeka
jaagaa pundaleeka jaagaa. Bhaava pundaleeka jaagaa*

Pure devotion is like river *Chandrabhaga* (River at Pandharpur).
Our devotional feelings for *Pundalik* (Lord Vishnu called
Vithal) has awakened.

*Yaa ho yaaho avaghe jana karaa Babaanseevandana.
Saisi vandana karoo Babaansee vandana*

Come along, all the people. Pray Baba and pray Sai.

*Ganu mhane Baba Sayee.
Dhaava paava maajze aayee paava maajze aayee.
Dhaava paava maajze aayee*

Ganu (Das ganu, the composer of this aarti) requests : Sai Baba
to run and give us blessings, My Mother give your blessings.

*Ghaaleena lotaangana vandeencharana
Dolyanee paaheen roop tujze
Preme aalingana aanandepoojin,
Bhaveoowaalina mhane Naamaa.*

Prostrating myself with touch of your feet and see thy beautiful
form. Embracing you with love, I worship you, and do your aarti
with devotion.

*Tvameva maataa pitaa tvameva
Tvameva bandhuscha sakhaa tvameva
Tvameva vidyaa dravinamtvameva,
Tvameva servam mama Devadeva.*

You are my mother, my father, my brother, you are my friend.
You are knowledge, You are the embodiment of love and
tenderness. You are my everything, O! Lord.

*Kaayena vaachaa manasrendriyaiarwan
Budhyatmanaa vaa prakriti swabhavaat
Karomiyadyatsakalamparasmai,
Narayanaayeti samarpayaami*

My body, my speech, my mind and all my senses, my intellect, my innate being – all these I offer to you, Narayana.

*Acyutam Keshavam Raamanaaraayana
Krishnadaamodaram Vaasudevam Harim
Shreedharam Maadhavam Gopikaa Vallabham,
Jaanakeenaayakam Raamachandram Bhaje.*

I pray Achyut, Keshav, Ramnarayan, Krishnadamodar, Vasudev, Hari, Shridhar, Madhav, Gopika- Vallabh, Janaki-Nayakam, Ramachandra. (various names of Vishnu and His incarnations).

*Hare Rama, Hare Rama. Rama Rama Hare Hare
Hare Krishna, Hare Krishna. Krishna Krishna Hare Hare.*

*Shri Gurudeva Datta.
Shri Gurudeva Datta.*

Mantra Pushpam

*Hari Omyagnenayagnamayajanta devaastaani
dharmaaani prathamaabyaasan
Tehanakammahimaanah sachanta yatra
poorvesadhyaa santi Devaah;*

Hari Aum. (Invocation of Primordial sound) in the beginning the devas (Celestial beings) worshipped Lord Vishnu by means of a sacrificial fire (yagyan) by such religious deeds they attain greatness in heaven (the abode of the divine, Celestial beings).

*Aumraadhiraajaaya prasahya saahine
namo vayamVaishravanaayakurmahe
Sa me kaaman kaama kaamaya mahyam kameswaro
Vaishravano tathatu. Kuberaraya Vaishravanaaya
Mahaaraajaaya namah.*

“Aum! Salutation to Vaishravan(Celestial being in heaven incharge ofwealth). He is the King of Kings, who is help. May he thygrant me my desiresas Vaishravan, the lord of all my desires.

*Omswasti saamrajyam bhojyam swaaraajyam vairaajyam,
paarameshtyam Raajyammahaarajya maadhi patya mayam
Samantaparyaa yeesyat Saarvabhoomah saarvayushya
aantaadaaparaaraadhaat prithiviyai
Samudraparyanthaayaa ekaraalithi*

Aum! Let there be well being! Let he attain universal sovereignty eternally, enjoyment (of pleasures), independence, perfect detachment, distinction and position of a great king, and supreme Lordship, so that he rules the universe and become the paramount ruler of the whole earth all his life, possessed of longevity and fullness of life, and be the absolute king of the earth stretching upto its oceanic shores.

*Tadapyesha slokobhigeeto marutah parivestaaro
maruttasyaavasan gruhe Avikshitasya kamaprer Visvedevaah
sabhaa sada ithi*

It is a prayer for Marutt, the son of Avikshit excelling in the four qualities of knowledge, righteousness, detachment and longevity - whose abode all Celestial deities visit.

*Shri Naarayana Vaasudevaaya Saccidananda
Sadguru Saiñatha Maharajaki Jaya*

O! Shri Narayan Vasudev Sachchidanand!
SadguruSainath Maharaj!

*Anantaa tulaa ten kase resthavaave,
Anantaa tulaa ten kase re namaave
Anantaa mukhaanchaa shine shesh gaataan,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Even the thousand tounge Shesha(a Hindu mythological snake on whom Lord Vishnu rests) finds it inadequate to sing thy prayers of greatness. Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Smaraave hmanee twatpadaa nitya bhaave,
Wurave taree bhaktisaatteeswabhaave
Tarave jagaataarunee maaya taataa
Namaskaarsaashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Those who remeber your feet everyday with pure devotion and thought, cross over this illussionary world. O! father, Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Vase jo sadaa daavayaasantleela,
Diseagna lokaanparee jo janaalaa
Paree antaree gnaana kaiwalya daataa,
Namaskaarsaashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Appearing like as an ordinary person to the ignorant, he carries on His divine action(*Leelas*). He is the giver of inner spiritual knowledge and unity with God - Salutations with prostrations, your O! Sainath.

*Baraa laadhalaa janma haa maanvaachaa
Naraasaarthakaa saadhaneebhuta saacha
Dharoon Sayeepremaa galaayaa ahantaa,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

It is a great luck to be born as a humanbeing. Humanbeings alone can do *Sadhna* (practices for obtaining purity and liberation). Hold on to the Love of Sai and kill ego. Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Dharave karee saana alpagna baala,
Karaave amhaa dhanyachumboni gaalaa
Mukhee gala preme karaagraas aataan,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Hold the hands of ignorant children like us. Bless us with a Kiss on our cheeks, give us love. Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

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*Suraadeeka jyaanchyaa padaavanditaantee,
Sukadeeka jyaantesamaanatvadetee
Prayagaadi teerthen padee namra hotaa,
Namaskaar saashtaangShri Sainaatha.*

Gods and others worship your feet. Say Suka and others treat you as equal. The *prayag* (confluence of rivers) and holy places bow at your feet -Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Tujhyaa jhyapadaa paahtan gopabaalee,
Sadaa rangalee chitswaroopee milaalee
Karee raasakreedaa save Krishna naathaa,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

The *Gopis* are always delighted to see your feet. They always dance with Krishna-natha having immersed their thoughts in Him. Salutations with prostrations, Shri Sainatha.

*Tulaa maahato maagane eka dhyaave,
Karaa jodito deena atyanta bhaave
Bhavee mohaneeraaja haa taari aataan,
Namaskaarsaashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

I request you to grant me just one boon. I humbly fold my hands, and with deep faith, Mohaniraj (says, the composer of this part of *Aarti*) asks you: save me from this world of bewitching desires and ferry me across the ocean of existence. Salutations with prostrations, Shri Sainatha.

*Aisaa eyee baa – Sayee digambara – Akshyayarooopa avataara
Sarvahi vyapaka too – Shrutisaara – anusayaatrikumaaraa
– Baabaa eyee baa!*

Refrain:

Such art thou, Sai Baba! Sai Digambara! Incarnation of the imperishible spirit, you are all pervading. You are the knower of the essence of the *Shrutis (Vedas)*, belonging to the lineage of the sage Atri and His wife Anusuya.

*Kaashee snaana japa – pratidivashee – Kolhapura bhikshesee
– nirmala nadi tungaa
Jala praasee – Nidra maahur deshee – Aisaa eyee baa*

Everyday, bathing in the Holy waters of the Kashi and worshipping there; then going to Kolhapur for Alms; drinking the pure waters of the Tungabhadra and then sleeping at Mahur province (sleeping place of Lord Datta). Please come like this O! Baba.

*Jzholee lombatasevaamakaree – trishoola damaroo dhari
Bhaktavarada sadaa sukhakaaree Deseel mukti charee
– Aisaa eyee baa*

A 'Jholi' (bag for alms hanging from the shoulder) hanging on the left-shoulder, and carrying the trident 'damru' (kind of tabor) you bless the devotees with permanent happiness, granting them four-fold liberation viz. Resemblance to God, nearness to God, residing with the deity and absorption into the essence of Brahman. Please come like this O! Baba.

*Paayee paadukaa japamaala – kamandaloo
– Mrigacchala – dhaarana kariseebaa
Naagajataa–Mukutasobhato maathaa
- Aisaa eyee baa*

Wearing wooden sandals, carrying *JapMala* (prayer beads) *Kamandalu* (Container of water), wearing deer skin; on your head is the crown of serpent-like coiled tresses of your hair, which looks beautiful. Please come like this O! Baba.

*Tatpara tujyaa je dhyaanee – akshyaya
Thyaanche sadhanee – Lakshmeevasakaree
Dinarajanee– Rakshisisankatvaaruni
- Aisaa eyee baa*

All those who meditate on you diligently have *Lakshmi*, the Goddess of wealth, dwelling in their homes, day and night uninterruptedly (*Lakshmi*, otherwise is fleet-floated and does not stay in one place for a long time). You also protect them by removing all their difficulties. Please come like this O! Baba.

*Yaa pari dhyaana tujze gururaayaa
–Drishya karee nayanaan yaa
Poornaananda sukhe heekaayaa
– Laavise harigunagaayaa -*

When I behold you in my eyes and your handsome figure, *Gururaya*, I experience complete bliss and please make me sing the Lord's praises. Please come like this O! Baba. (Whole refrain)

*Aisaa eyee baa – Sayee digambaraa – Akshyayarooapa avataara
Sarvahi vyapaka too – Shrutisaara – anusayaatrikumaaraa
– Baabaa eyee baa!*

*Sadaa satswaroopam chidaanandakandam
Jagat sambhavasthaanasamhaara hetum
Swabhaktechhayaa maanushamdarsayantam
Nameeswaram Sadgurum Sainaatham.*

Let us bow down to the God Sadguru Sainath, who is Truth Incarnate and is always in Consciousness and Bliss; the God who is the cause of creation, existence and destruction of the world; and, who has come in to this world in a human form for the sake of his own devotees.

*Bhavadwaantha vidhwamsa maarthaanda meeddyam
manovaagateetam munir dhyana gamyam
Jagadvyapakamnirmalam nirgunamtwaam
NameeswaramSadgurumSainaatham.*

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kripatapaatramtava Sainaatha
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Lord Sainath, the canopy of your mercy is like the intense lusture of the autumn moon. Grant the cool shade (from that canopy) from the blazing heat of the three-fold calamities of life to those who have taken shelter at your feet.

*UpaasanaaDaivata Sainaatha,
Sthavairmayopaasaninaasthu sthatwam
Ramenmaromne tava paadayugme bhrungo,
Yathaabji makarmdalubdhah*

Lord Sainath you are my God, whom I worship. I extol your praises. Let my mind dwell lovingly at your lotus feet, just as the bee hovers over the lotus flowers enticed by the desire of honey.

*Aneka janmaarjita paapasamkshayo,
Bhavet bhawatpaada sarojadarshanaat
Kshamaswasarvaanaparaadha poonjakaan,
praseeda Sayeesa Sadguro dayaaniidhe*

Lord Sai, Guru Ocean of compassion, bless me and pardon me for all my innumerable faults. May my boundless sins which have accumulated over several cycles of life be destroyed by the darshan of your feet

*Sri Sainathacharanaamrita putachithaah,
Shwatpaada seva natrataah satatamcha bhaktyaa
Samsaara janya duritaagha vinirgataaste,
kaivalya dhaama paramamsamavaapnuvanti*

Those whose minds become purified by the nectar of tirth (Water deemed to be Holy from the washings of Lord's feet) of Shri Sainath, those who are constantly absorbed in His service with – devotion they get freed from the distress caused by worldliness and attain salvation.

*Strotrame tatpatte bhakthyaa yonara athanmanaahsadaa
Sadguroh Sainadhasya kripa paatrambhaveddhrham.*

Whosoever always recites this hymn with devotion and absorption will certainly be the recipient of the grace of Sadguru until he lives.

*Karacharanakritamvaakkaayajamkarmajamvaa
Shravananayanajamvaa maanasamvaaparadham
Viditamaviditamvaa sarvame tatshkamasva*

For the sins done by the hands and the feet, by the tongue and the body, or by the ears and the eyes, or those done in thought, or

any other follies, known or unknown - for all these, forgive me.

Jaya Jaya karunaabdhe shri pabho sainaatha.

Let us Hail ! Hail! O compassionate one, Shri Prabhu Sainath!

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Let us Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!

*Raajaadhiraaja Yogiraaja ParaBrahma Sainaath Maharaaj
Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath Maharaajki Jail*

Aum! King of Kings! King of Yogis! Absolute Brahman! Sainath Maharaj! Let us Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!

DHOOP (SUN-SET) AARATI

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*Aarti Sai Baba, saukhyadaataara jeeva. Charana rajaatalee
Dhyaava daasaan visaawaa, bhaktaa visaawaa.Aarti Sai Baba*

Refrain :

We do Aarti to Sai Baba, the soul that and the giver of happiness to all. Give refuge to the downtrodden devotees who are at your feet. We do Aarti to you Sai Baba.

*Jaaluniyaanaanangswaswaroopee raahe dhanga
Mumukshu janaan daavee nija dolaanSreeranga,
dolaan Sreeranga Aarti Sai Baba*

Burn the desires. To the seekers of Self, teach them the way to get *Moksha* (state of pure bliss). With their own eyes they see the Lord Vishnu (Sriranga). We do Aarti to you Sai Baba.

*Jayaa manee jaisaa bhaava tayaa taisaa anubhava
Daawisee dayaaghanaa aisee tujzee hee
maava tujzeeheemaavaAarti Sai Baba*

You grant suitable experiences to everybody in accordance with their Faith and devotion. O, merciful one, such is your way. O kind one. We do Aarti to you SaiBaba.

*Tumache naama dhyaataan hare sansrithi vyathaa
Agaadha tava karanee maarga daawisee anaadhaa,
daawisee anaadhaa Aarti Sai Baba*

Meditation of your name removes the worldly sufferings. Your actions are unfathomable. Show the path to unfortunate ones. We do Aarti to you Sai Baba.

*Kaliyugee avataarasaguna parabrahmsaachara
Avateerna jhaalase swami Datta digambara,
Datta digambaraAarti Sai Baba*

In this age of *Kaliyug* (The dark and troublesome age of present), you are true incarnation of *Brahama*, that has taken form and descended on this earth. You are also Swami *Datta digambar* (Three-headed diety who is considered as combined incarnation

of Brahma-Vishnu-Maheh). *Datta digambar*. We do Aarti to you Sai Baba.

*Aattha divasaan guruwaaree bhakta karitee waaree
Prabhupada pahaavayaabhavabhayaniwaree,
bhaya niwaree Aarti Sai Baba:*

On Thursdays, every week, the devotees take a trip (to Shirdi), to have a glimpse of the Lord's feet and to avert their worldly fears. We do Aarti to you Sai Baba.

*Maajhaa nijadravya tteewaa tav charanrajasevaa
Maagane hechiyaataa tumhan devaadhideva,
Devaadhideva Aarti Sai Baba*

The only wealth I desire is to serve at thy feet. O Lord of Lords. We do Aarti to you Sai Baba.

*Ichchita deena chaatak nirmala toya nijasookha
Paajaawe maadhavaa yaa saambhal aapulee bhaaka,
aapulee bhaaka*

Just as the chatak bird desires to drink pure raw water, so O Lord! And kindly give me your assurance (that I will receive such direct knowledge).

*Aarti Sai Baba, saukhyadaataara jeeva.
Charana rajaatalee
Dhyaava daasaan visaawaa, bhaktaa visaawaa.
Aarti Sai Baba*

*Shirdee maajze Pandharapura Saibaba Ramaavara
Baba Ramaavara, Sai Baba Ramaavara
Shirdi is my Pandharpur.*

Sai Baba is the husband of Rama i.e. Lord Vishnu. Baba is the presiding deity there. Sai...

*Shuddha bhaktee chandrabhaabagaa,
Bhaava pundaleeka jaagaa pundaleeka
jaagaa. Bhaava pundaleeka jaagaa*

Pure devotion is like river *Chandrabhaga* (River at Pandharpur). Our devotional feelings for *Pundalik* (Lord Vishnu called *Vithal*) has awakened.

*Yaa ho yaaho avaghe jana karaa Babaanseevandana.
Saisi vandana karoo Babaansee vandana*

Come along, all the people. Pray Baba and pray Sai.

*Ganu mhane Baba Sayee.
Dhaava paava maajze aayee paava maajze aayee.
Dhaava paava maajze aayee*

Ganu (Das ganu, the composer of this aarti) requests : Sai Baba to run and give us blessings, My Mother give your blessings.

*Ghaaleena lotaangana vandeencharana
Dolyanee paahen roop tujze
Preme aalingana aanandepoojin,
Bhaveoowaalina mhane Naamaa.*

Prostrating myself with touch of your feet and see thy beautiful form. Embracing you with love, I worship you, and do your aarti with devotion.

*Tvameva maataa pitaa tvameva
Tvameva bandhuscha sakhaa tvameva
Tvameva vidyaa dravinamtvameva,
Tvameva sarvam mama Devadeva.*

You are my mother, my father, my brother, you are my friend.
You are knowledge, You are the embodiment of love and
tenderness. You are my everything, O! Lord.

*Kaayena vaachaa manasrendriyaiarwan
Budhyatmanaa vaa prakriti swabhavaat
Karomiyadyatsakalamparasmai,
Narayanaayeti samarpayaami*

My body, my speech, my mind and all my senses, my intellect,
my innate being – all these I offer to you, Narayana.

*AcyutamKeshavamRaamanaaraayanam
KrishnadaamodaramVaasudevam Harim
Shreedharam Maadhavam Gopikaa Vallabham,
Jaanakeenaayakam Raamachandram Bhaje.*

I pray Achyut, Keshav, Ramnarayan, Krishnadamodar, Vasudev,
Hari, Shridhar, Madhav, Gopika- Vallabh, Janaki-Nayakam,
Ramachandra. (various names of Vishnu and His
incarnations).

*Hare Rama, Hare Rama. Rama Rama Hare Hare
Hare Krishna, Hare Krishna. Krishna Krishna Hare Hare.*

*Anantaa tulaa ten kase resthavaave,
Anantaa tulaa ten kase re namaave
Anantaa mukhaanchaa shine shesh gaataan,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Even the thousand tounge Shesha (a Hindu mythological snake on whom Lord Vishnu rests) finds it inadequate to sing thy prayers of greatness. Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Smaraave hmanee twatpadaa nitya bhaave,
Wurave taree bhaktisaatteeswabhaave
Tarave jagaataarunee maaya taataa,
Namaskaarsaashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Those who remember your feet everyday with pure devotion and thought, cross over this illusionary world. O! father, Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Vase jo sadaa daavayaasantaleela,
Dise agna lokaanparee jo janaalaa
Paree antaree gnaana kaiwalya daataa,
Namaskaarsaashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Appearing like as an ordinary person to the ignorant, he carries on His divine action (*Leelas*). He is the giver of inner spiritual knowledge and unity with God - Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Baraa laadhalaa janma haa maanvaachaa
Naraasarthakaa saadhaneebhuta saacha
Dharoon Sayeepremaa galaayaa ahantaa,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

It is a great luck to be born as a human being. Human beings alone can do *Sadhna* (practices for obtaining purity and liberation). Hold on to the Love of Sai and kill ego. Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Dharave karee saana alpagna baala,
Karaave amhaa dhanyachumboni gaalaa
Mukhee gala preme karaagraas aataan,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

Hold the hands of ignorant children like us. Bless us with a Kiss on our cheeks, give us love. Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Suraadeeka jyaanchyaa padaavanditaantee,
Sukadeeka jyaantesamaanatvadetee
Prayagaadi teerthen padee namra hotaa,
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Gods and others worship your feet. Say Suka and others treat you as equal. The *prayag* (confluence of rivers) and holy places bow at your feet -Salutations with prostrations, O! Sainath.

*Tujhyaa jhyapadaa paahathaa gopabaalee,
Sadaa rangalee chitswaroopee milaalee
Karee raasakreedaa save Krishna naathaa,
Namaskaar saashtaang Shri Sainaatha.*

The *Gopis* are always delighted to see your feet. They always dance with Krishna-natha having immersed their thoughts in Him. Salutations with prostrations, Shri Sainatha.

*Tulaa maasato maagane eka dhyaave,
Karaa jodito deena atyanta bhaave
Bhavee mohaneeraaja haa taari aataan,
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I request you to grant me just one boon. I humbly fold my hands, and with deep faith, Mohaniraj (says, the composer of this part of *Aarti*) asks you: save me from this world of bewitching desires and ferry me across the ocean of existence. Salutations with prostrations, Shri Sainatha.

*Aisaa eyee baa – Sayee digambara – Akshyayaroopa avataara
Sarvahi vyapaka too – Shrutisaara – anusayaa trikumaaraa
– Baba eyee baa!*

Such art thou, Sai Baba! Sai Digambara! Incarnation of the imperishible spirit, you are all pervading. You are the knower of the essence of the *shrutis (Vedas)*, belonging to the lineage of the sage Atri and His wife Anusuya.

*Kaashee snaana japa – pratidivashee – Kolhapura bhikshesee
– nirmala nadi tungaa
Jala praasee – Nidra maahur deshee – Aisaa eyee baa*

Everyday, bathing in the Holy waters of the Kashi and worshipping there; then going to Kolhapur for Alms; drinking the pure waters of the Tungabhadra and then sleeping at Mahur province (sleeping place of Lord Datta). Please come like this O! Baba.

*Jzholee lombatasevaamakaree – trishoola damaroo dhari
Bhaktavarada sadaa sukhakaaree Deseel mukti charee
– Aisaa eyee baa*

A 'Jholi' (bag for alms hanging from the shoulder) hanging on the left-shoulder, and carrying the trident 'damru'(kind of tabor) you bless the devotees with permanent happiness, granting them four-fold liberation viz. Resemblance to God, nearness to God, residing with the deity and absorption into the essence of Brahman. Please come like this O! Baba.

*Paayee paadukaa japamaala – kamandaloo
– Mrigacchala – dhaarana kariseebaa
Naagajataa–Mukutasobhato maathaa
- Aisaa eye baa*

Wearing wooden sandals, carrying *JapMala* (prayer beads) *Kamandalu* (Container of water), wearing deerskin; on your head is the crown of serpent-like coiled tresses of your hair, which looks beautiful. Please come like this O! Baba.

*Tatpara tujyaa je dhyaanee – akshyaya
Thyaanche sadhane – Lakshmeevasakaree
Dinarajane– Rakshisisankatvaaruni
- Aisaa eye baa*

All those who meditate on you diligently have *Lakshmi*, the Goddess of wealth, dwelling in their homes, day and night uninterruptedly (*Lakshmi*, otherwise is fleet-floated and does not stay in one place for a long time). You also protect them by removing all their difficulties. Please come like this O! Baba.

*Yaa pari dhyana tujze gururaayaa –Drishya karee nayanaan yaa
Poornaananda sukhe heekaayaa – Laavise harigunagaayaa -*

When I behold you in my eyes and your handsome figure,
Gururaya, I experience complete bliss and please make me sing
the Lord's praises. Please come like this O! Baba.

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Twadeeya paadaabja samaashritaanaam,
Swachhaayayaa taapamapaa karothu*

Lord Sainath, the canopy of your mercy is like the intense lustre of the autumn moon. Grant the cool shade (from that canopy) from the blazing heat of the three-fold calamities of life to those who have taken shelter at your feet.

*UpaasanaaDaivata Sainaatha,
Sthavairmayopaasaninaasthu sthatwam
Ramenmanome tava paadayugme bhrungo,
Yathaabji makarmda lubdhah*

Lord Sainath you are my God, whom I worship. I extol your praises. Let my mind dwell lovingly at your lotus feet, just as the bee hovers over the lotus flowers enticed by the desire of honey.

*Aneka janmaarjita paapasamkshayo,
Bhavet bhawatpaada sarojadarshanaat
Kshamaswasarvaanaparaadha poonjakaan,
praseeda Sayeesa Sadguro dayaanidhe*

Lord Sai, Guru Ocean of compassion, bless me and pardon me for all my innumerable faults. May my bound less sins which have accumulated over several cycles of life be destroyed by the darshan of your feet.

*Sri Sainathacharanaamrita putachithaah,
Statwatpaada seva natrataah satatamcha bhaktyaa
Samsaara janya duritaagha vinirgataaste,
kaivalya dhaama paramamsamavaapnuvanti*

Those whose minds become purified by the nectar of tirth (Water deemed to be Holy from the washings of Lord's feet) of Shri Sainath, those who are constantly absorbed in His service with – devotion they get freed from the distress caused by worldliness and attain salvation.

*Strotrame tatpatte bhakthyaa yonara sathanmanaahsadaa
Sadguroh Sainadhasya kripa paatrambhaveddhruham.*

Whosoever always recites this hymn with devotion and absorption will certainly be the recipient of the grace of Sadguru until he lives.

*Ruso mamapriyaambikaa majavaree pitahee ruso
Ruso mamapriyaangana priyasutaatmajaaher ruso
Ruso bhaginibandhuhee swasura saasubayee ruso
Nadatta Guru Saayima majavaree kadheenhee ruso*

My darling mother, my father; my wife, my son, my daughter, my sister, my brother, my father-in-law, my mother-in-law, all may be annoyed with me but never my Datta guru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.

*Puso nasunabayee tyaamaja na bhratrujaayaa puso
Puso na priya soyare priya sage na gnateen puso Puso
suhridanaa sakhaaswajana naapta bandhu puso Paree na
Guru Saayima majavaree ksdheenheeruso.*

My daughter-in-law, my brother's wife; my dear ones, kith and kin may turn away from me or even people from my own caste; my selfless friend or any friend may turn away from me, or even my own people or my relatives; but never my Guru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.

*Puso na abalaa mulen tarun vridhaheena puso Puso na
Guru Dhakute maja na thorsaane puso Puso nachabhale
buresujan sadhuheen naa puso
Paree na Guru Saayima majavaree ksdheenheeruso*

Women, children, young and old may turn away from me. The elders, the youngsters, the venerable and the tiny ones may turn away from me. The virtuous and the wicked may turn away from me; let the well-meaning and saintly also turn away from me; but never, ever, my Guru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.

*Ruso chatura tatwavit vibhudha praagna jnaanee ruso
Rusohi vidushee striyaa kushal panditaahee ruso
Ruso mahipatee yatee bhajak taapaseehe ruso
Na Datta Guru Saayima majavaree kadheenheeruso*

Persons of acumen, knowers of Vedas, men of learning, wise men, may be annoyed with me or even the knowledgeable, the erudite women, the clever learned ladies may be annoyed with me, but never my Dattaguru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.

*Ruso kavi rishee mune anagha siddhayogee ruso Ruso hi
grihadevataa nikula grama Devee ruso Ruso khala
pishaascahee malin dhakineehee ruso
Na Datta Guru Saayima majavaree kadheenheeruso*

The poets, the seers, the sages, those void of sin, and the inspired yogi may be annoyed with me. The family deity and the village deity may be annoyed with me. The base person, the devil, the foul witch may be annoyed with me, but never my Dattaguru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.

Ruso mriga khaga krimi akhila jeeva jantu ruso
Ruso vitap prastaraa achal aapagaabdhee ruso Ruso kha
pavan naagni vaar avani panchatathwe ruso Na Datta Guru
Saayima majavaree kadheenheeruso

Deers, birds, insects, the entire animal and birds may be annoyed with me. The trees, stones, mountains, rivers, seas may be annoyed with me. The sky, wind, fire, water, earth --- the five elements may be annoyed with me, but never my Dattaguru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.

Ruso vimal kinnaraa amala yakshineehee ruso
Ruso shashi khagaadiheegagani taarakaahhee ruso
Ruso amararaajahee adaya dharmaraajaa ruso
Na Datta Guru Saayima majavaree kadheenhee ruso

The pure celestial musicians, unsullied female deities or celestial nymphs may be annoyed with me. The moon, sun, other stars from the skies, the planets may be annoyed with me. The immortal king Indra, merciless Dharmaraja may be annoyed with me, but never my Dattaguru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.

- Ruso mana Saraaswateechapalachitta tehee ruso*
Ruso vapu dishaakhilaakattina kaal tohee ruso
Ruso sakalvishwahee mayi tu brahmagolaam ruso
- *Na Datta Guru Saayima majavaree kadheenheeruso*

*Let my reasoning, speech and fickle mind be annoyed with me.
Let my own body, all the ten directions, be annoyed with me. Let
all-pervading difficult times be annoyed with me. Let the
entire world, the universe be annoyed with me; but never my
Dattaguru, my mother Sai, be annoyed with me.*

Vimoodha hmanoonee haso majana matsaraahee daso
Padaabhiruchi ulhasoh janan kardamee naa phaso
Na durga dhriticha dhaso ashivbhaav maage khaso
Prapanchi manahe ruso driddavirakti chitee ttaso

*Let the people call me a fool and laugh. Let envy not sting me.
Let me delight at the touch of the feet of the Lord. Let me not
get trapped by the mire of the world. Let not the fort of
chivalry topple down. Let me not wish evil with anyone. Let me
be angry with the worldly affairs I am engaged in. Let me be
disinterested, and let that indifference stay firmly in my mind.*

Kunaachihi grinaa naso nacha sprihaakashaacheeaso
Sadaiva hridayee vaso manasi dhyani Sayeevaso
Padee pranaya voraso nikhila drishya baabaa diso
Na Dattaguru Saayima upari yaachneela ruso.

Let me not be contemptuous of anyone. Let me have no desires. Let there be only Sai in my heart, intellect and meditation. Let my love be oozing towards the lord's feet (As the cow's milk begins to flow when she sees her calf). Wherever I look in the world, I should see him only. My Lord, do not deny me these above-mentioned entreaties.

Mantra Pushpam

*Hari Omyagnenayagnamayajanta devaastaani dharmaani
prathamaabyaasan*

*Tهانakammahimaanah sachanta yatra poorvesadhyaa santi
Devaah;*

Hari Aum. (Invocation of Primordial sound) in the beginning the devas (Celestial beings) worshipped Lord Vishnu by means of a sacrificial fire (yagyan) by such religious deeds they attain greatness in heaven (the abode of the divine, Celestial beings).

*Aumraadhiraajaaya prasahya saahinenamo
vayam Vaishravanaayakurmahe Sa me kaaman kaama
kaamaya mahyamkameswaro Vaishravano tathatu.
Kuberaraya Vaishravanaaya Mahaaraajaaya namah.*

“Aum! Salutation to Vaishravan (Celestial being in heaven in charge of wealth). He is the King of Kings, who is help. May he thy grant me my desires as Vaishravan, the lord of all my desires.

*Omswasti saamrajyambhojyamswaaraajyamvairaaajyam,
paarameshtyam Raajyammahaarajya maadhi patya
mayamSamantaparyaa yeesyat Saarbhoumah saarvayushya
aantaadaaparaaraadhaat prithivyai Samudraparyanthaayaa
ekaraalithi*

Aum! Let there be well being! Let he attain universalsovereignty eternally, enjoyment (of pleasures), independence, perfect detachment, distinction and position of a great king, and supreme Lordship, so that He rules the universe and become the paramount ruler of the whole earth all his life, possessed of longevity and fullness of life, and be the absolute king of the earth stretching uptoits oceanic shores.

*Tadapyesha slokobhigeeto marutah parivestaaro
maruttasyaavasan gruhe Avikshitasya kamaprer Visvedevaah
sabhaa sada ithi It is a prayer for Marutt, the son of Avikshit
excelling in the four qualities of knowledge, righteousness,
detachment and longevity - whose abodeall Celestial deities
visit.*

*Shri Naarayana Vaasudevaaya Saccidananda Sadguru
Sainatha Maharajaki Jaya
O! Shri Narayan Vasudev Sachchidanana! SadguruSainath
Maharaj!*

*Karacharanakritamvaakkaayajamkarmajamvaa
Shravananayanajamvaa maanasamvaaparadham
Viditamaviditamvaa sarvame tatshkamasva*

*For the sins done by the hands and the feet, by the tongue and the
body, or by the ears and the eyes, or those done in thought, or any
other follies, known or unknown - for all these, forgive me.*

*Jaya Jaya karunaabdhe shri prabho Sainaatha.
Hail ! Hail! O compassionate one, Shri Prabhu Sainath!
Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath Maharaajki
Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!*

*Raajaadhiraaja Yogiraja Para Brahma Sainaath Maharaaj
Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath Maharaajki Jai!
Aum! King of Kings! King of Yogis! Absolute Brahman!
Sainath Maharaj! Hail! Shri Sachchidananda
Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!
SHEJ (NIGHT) AARATI*

*Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath MaharaajkiJai
Let us Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!
Owaloo aaratee mazhaa Sadgurunaathaa – maazhaa
Sainaatha
Paanchaahee tatwaanchedeep laawilaa aataan*

*My Sadguru Sainath, I lit up the five elements of my body as a
lamp and do your aarati.*

*Nirgunaachee sthitee kaisee aakaaraaaalee –
Babaaakaaraaaalee*

*Sarvaa ghatee bharonivuralee Sayee Maawoolee
How has the attributeless taken form. Baba taken form! You
fill every part of existence and still you are full O! Sai Mother.*

*Owaloo aaratee mazhaa Sadgurunaathaa – maazhaa
Sainaatha*

*Paanchaahee tatwaanchedeep laawilaa aataan
RajaTamaSathwa tigde maayaa prasawalee – Baba maayaa
prasawalee*

Mayecheeyepotee kaisee maayaa udbhavalee

*All the three qualities of passion, ignorance, excellence have
spread illusion, have engulfed me with illusion. How has the rest
of the illusory world come in to existence, born of this Maya
(illusion).*

*Owaloo aaratee mazhaa Sadgurunaathaa – maazhaa
Sainaatha*

Paanchaahee tatwaanchedeep laawilaa aataan

*Sapta Saagaree kaisakhelmaandeelaa – Baba khel maandeelaa
Khelooniyaa khel awaghavisthaarkelaa*

*How have you started this divine sport across the seven seas !
Baba started this divine sport! And how has this divine sport
spread over the whole creation!*

*Owaloo aaratee mazhaa Sadgurunaathaa – maazhaa
Sainaatha*

*Paanchaahee tatwaanchedeep laawilaa aataan
Brahmaandeechee rachanaa keisee daakhavilee dolaa – Baba
daakhavilee dolaa*

Tuka hmane maazhaa Swaamee kripaaloo bholaa

*The Lord has shown me the creation and arrangement of this
universe. Tuka says : My Lord is simple and compassionate.*

*Owaloo aaratee mazhaa Sadgurunaathaa – maazhaa
Sainaatha*

Paanchaahee tatwaanchedeep laawilaa aataan

*Lopale jnaana jagin – hitanenatee konee
Avataara Panduranga – namttevile jnane*

*Knowledge had disappeared from the world. No one knew what
was good or right. Then the Pandurang
Avatar (incarnation) came and manifested inhuman form. The
learned called him thus.*

*AarateeJnaanaraaja – mahaa kaivalya tejaa
Sevitee Saadhusanta – hmanu vedhalaa maazha Aaratee
Jnaanaraaja.*

Aarti Jnyan Raja!(Lord of wisdom). Great divine essence and light! Served by Saints and sadhus as you are, you have engrossed my mind. Aarti Jnyan Raja!

*Kanakachee tat kareen – Ubhya gopikaa naaree
Narada tumbaraho – samgaayan karee Aaratee Jnaanaraaja
With golden Thalish (Round platters filled with puja i.e. worship items) in their hands, gopikas and other woman are standing.
Narad and Tumbar aresinging Samveda! (One of the four Vedas).*

*Mahaakaivalya tejaa
Sevitee Saadhusanta – hmanu vedhalaa maazha Aaratee
Jnaanaraaja.*

*Pragata guhya bole – vishwa brahmachi kele
Rama Janardanee – payee masthak tteville*

The secret knowledge has been disclosed that the universe is created by Brahma. Ram, Janardani! I bow and place their heads at the feet of the Lord.

*Aaratee Jnaanaraaja – mahaakaivalyatejaa
Sevitee Saadhusanta – hmanu vedhalaa maazha Aaratee
Jnaanaraaja.*

*Aaratee Tukaaraamaa – Swamee Sadguru dhaamaa
Satchidaananda murtee – paaya dakhavi aamhaa Aaratee
Tukaaraamaa*

*Aarti Tukaram! Embodiment of SadguruSwami, the
personification of Sachchidanand! Graceus by giving a
glimpse of your feet. Aarti Tukaram!*

*Raaghave Saagaraat –paashaan taarile
Taise he tukobaache – abhang rakshile
Just as the boulders were kept a float by Ram (When Lordram
built the bridge to Lanka, He kept boulders a float in the waters),
so wereTukoba'sprecious books (OfAbhangs which were thrown
into the RiverIndrayani near Dehu) floated on the river waters
(As a result ofHis prayers, after three days had passed)*

*Aaratee Tukaaraamaa – Swamee Sadguru dhaamaa
Satchidaananda murtee – paaya dakhavi aamhaa Aaratee
Tukaaraamaa*

*Tukitaa tulanesee – brahma tukasee aale
Hmanoni raamesware – charanee mastak tteville*

*When appraising and comparing him with Brahma, Tukaram
was found to be his equal (As Tukaram had Divinity also in Him).
Because of this, Rameshwar, (Rameshwar, a Brahmin who was
jealous of Tukaram's knowledge, had thrown His books in the
river) bowed down toTuka.*

*Aaratee Tukaaraamaa – Swamee Sadguru dhaamaa
Satchidaananda murtee – paaya dakhavi aamhaa Aaratee
Tukaaraamaa*

*Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho,
Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho
Aalavito sapreme tuzhalaaratee ghevuni kareeho,
Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho*

Let us Hail! Hail Sainath! Now come and please lie down in the temple. Let us Hail! Hail Sainath! Now come and please lie down in the temple.

Holding the lamp in my hands, I do Aarti and pray to you with all my love. Let us Hail! Hail Sainath! Now come and please lie down in the temple.

*Ranjavisee too madhura bulunee – maaya jashi nija mulaa ho
(2X)*

*Bhogisivyadhee tunch haruniyaa – nijasevak dukhaalaa ho
(2X)*

*Dhavuni bhakta vyasana harisi – darshan deshee tyaalaa ho
(2X)*

Jzhaale astilkasta ateesaya tumacheyaa dehaalaaho

As amother amuses her little ones with a sweet talk, you also enrapture your devotees. For those devotees who have sufferings, you endure their problems by taking them upon yourself thus removing their difficulties. For those who are dedicated to Lord, you quickly give them Darshan. You must be terribly troubled in your body (Baba suffered for His devotees, by taking upon himself their physical afflictions). Let us Hail, Hail...

*Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho
Aalavito sapreme tuzhalaaaratee ghevuni karee ho,*

*Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho
Skhmaa shayana sundarahee shobhaa- suman
shejtyaavareen ho (2X)*

*Gdhyaavee todee bhakta jananchee – poojanandi
chaakaree ho (2X)*

*Owaalito panchaprana – jyotee sumateekareen ho(2X)
Sevaakinkara bhakta preetee – attar parimala vaareeho*

Forgive us and lie down on that beautiful flower-decked bed. Please accept some of the services your devotees render in your worship. I offer you the light of good intentions lit with five elements of my body. This servant is offering you the Attar (perfume) of love and also fragrant water (Zarna water placed before Baba at bed-time, with rose water added to it)

*Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho
Aalavito sapreme tuzhalaaaratee ghevuni kareeho,
Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho*

*Soduni jaayaa dukha waatate – Baba tava charanaansee ho
Soduni jaayaa dukha waatate – Sayee tavacharanaansee ho
Agnesthavahaasi prasaada – ghevuni nijasadanaasee ho (2X)
Jaato aata yevu punarapi –twatcharanaanche paashee ho (2X)
Uttavoon tujala Saimaavule- nijahitasaadhaayaasee ho*

Sai it saddens us to leave your feet and go away. At your command, we go with your blessings as Prasad (blessed food), to our own homes. We are going now, but we will come again to be near your feet; to awaken you, Sai mother and to achieve our own welfare. Let us Hail, Hail....

*Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho
Aalavito sapreme tuzhalaaaratee ghevuni karee ho,
Jai jai Sainatha aataa pahudaave mandiree ho*

*Aataa Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa avadhutaa – Baba karaa
Sainathaa
Chinmaya hesukhfhaama jaawuni pahudaa ekaantaa*

Now, Swami, sleep in peace, Avadhuta! Baba Sainatha do so. Mind full of pure knowledge, abode of happiness, retire in seclusion.

*Vairaagyaachaa kunchaa ghewuni chowk jhadeela –Baba
chowk jhadeela
Tayaawareesupremaachaa shidakaavaa didhalaa*

With the broom of non-attachment the courtyard has beenswept. Baba the courtyard has been swept. At the time of sweeping thecourtyard, it has been showered with love.

*Aataa Swamee sukhe nidraakaraa avadhutaa – Baba karaa
Sainathaa
Chinmaya hesukhfhaama jaawuni pahudaa ekaantaa
Paayaghadadyaa ghatalyaa sundar navavidhaa bhakti - Baba
navavidhaa bhakti
Jnaanaachyaa samayaa laawuni ujalalyaa jyotee*

The beautiful carpet of the nine types of Bkakti (Devotion) has been unrolled. Baba, of the nine types of Bkakti. The Samaya (Upright metal lampstand, used in temples and places of worship) of knowledge has been lit and the light burnished.

*Aataa Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa avadhutaa – Baba karaa
Sainathaa*

Chinmaya hesukhfhaama jaawuni pahudaa ekaantaa

*Bhaavaarthaanchaa manchaka hridaya kaashee taangilaa –
hridaya kaashee taangilaa*

Manaachee sumane karunee kelesheejelaa

*The swing-bed of Faith and devotion has been suspended from
therafters (Like the woodwn plank which Baba had hung up from
the rafters of the Dwarkamaimosque, for His bed) in my heart.
Baba, I have hung it from the rafters. With a pure and virtuous
mind I have made your bed.*

*Aataa Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa avadhutaa – Baba karaa
Sainathaa*

Chinmaya hesukhfhaama jaawuni pahudaa ekaantaa

Dwaitaachekapaat laavuniekatrakele –Baba ekatrakele

Durbuddheenच्या gatte soduni padadesodeele

*Duality is locked up behind the shut doors, and unity is
established. Baba, unity is established. The knot of evil
intentions has been loosened and the curtains have been opened
(Lifting veils of ignorance).*

*Aataa Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa avadhutaa – Baba karaa
Sainathaa*

*Chinmaya hesukhfhaama jaawuni pahudaa ekaantaa
Aashaa trishnaa kalpanechara Soondunigalabala – Baba
Saandunigalabala*

Dayaakshamaa shaantee daasee ubhyaa sewelaa

*The clamour of desire, hope, imagination has been left behind.
Baba the clamour has been left behind. Mercy, forgiveness, peace
are now in attendance as humble servants.*

*Aataa Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa avadhutaa – Baba karaa
Sainathaa*

*Chinmaya hesukhfhaama jaawuni pahudaa ekaantaa
Alakshya unmanee ghevunee naajuk dusshaalaa –Baba
naajukdusshaalaa*

Niranjana Sadguru swamee nijavile shejelaa

*Inconceivably absorbed in divine contemplation, Baba wrapped
in a pair of delicate shawls, Baba in a pair of delicate shawls.
Perfect light of knowledge, Sadguru Swami, rest and sleep in your
bed.*

*Aataa Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa avadhutaa – Baba karaa
Sainathaa*

*Chinmaya hesukhfhaama jaawuni pahudaa ekaantaa
Sadguru Sainaath Maharaaj ki Jai!*

Let us Hail! Shri Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!

Shri Guru Deva Datta!

Shri Guru Deva Datta!

Paahee prasadachee vaat ghyaave dhuvoniyaa taat

I am waiting for the prasad. Give me awashed plate.

Sesh ghewoniaan jaill Tumache jhaliyaan bhojan

*I will take the left-overs from your plate after ypur meal is
finished.*

Jhaalo eksavaa Tumha aadu niyaa devaa

I have become one withyou, after praying fervently to you,

Lord.

Sesh ghewoniaan jaill Tumache jhaliyaan bhojan

Tuka hmane chitt karooniraahilo nischint.

*Tukasays : Now my mind is determinedly settled here (in
devotion).*

Sesh ghewoniaan jaill Tumache jhaliyaan bhojan

*Paawala prasaad aataa vitto nijaave – Baba aataa nijaave
Aputaa to shrama kalo yetase bhaave*

*Now that the prasad is received Vithoba, do sleep. Baba, do sleep.
We can understand how fatigued you are.*

*Aataan Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa Gopala – BabaSai
dayaalaa
Purale manorath jato aapule sthalaa.*

*Now, Swami, sleep well, Gopala (Lord Krishna). Kind Baba Sai.
Our desires are now fulfilled and we go now to our own homes.*

*Tumhaasee jaagawoo aamhi aapulyachaada – Baba
aapulya chaada
Shubhashubkarme dosh haraavayaa peedaa.
Aataan Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa Gopala – Baba Sai
dayaalaa
Purale manorath jato aapule sthalaa.*

*We shall wake you up for our own needs to destroy the torment
that is ours due to our fate, caused by our good or badactions.
Now Swami....*

*Tuka hmane didhale utchistaache bhojan - utchistaache
bhojan Naahi nivadile aamha apulya bhinn.
Aataan Swaamee sukhe nidraakaraa Gopala – BabaSai
dayaalaa
Purale manorath jato aapule sthalaa.*

*Tukasays : You have given us the left-over food from your plate.
You have selected us as being not separate from yourself. Now
Swami...*

*Sadguru Sainaath Maharaaj ki
Let us Hail! Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!
Raajaadhiraaja Yogiraaja Para Brahma Sainaath Maharaaj
Shri Satchitaanand Sadguru Sainaath Maharaajki Jai!*

*Aum! King of Kings! King of Yogis! Absolute Brahman!
Sainath Maharaj! Let us Hail! Shri
Sachchidananda Sadguru Sainath Maharaj!
Bhagavan Jagadishwar*

*Om jaya jagadeesha hare, swami jaya jagadeesha hare,
Bhakta janom ke sankat, bhakta janom ke sankat
kshaNa me doore kare. Om jaya jagadeesha hare
Jo dhaave phala pave, dukha vinase man kaa, swami dukha
vinase man kaa, Sukha sampati ghar aave, sukha sampati
ghar aave
Kashta mite tan kaa, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*

*Maata pita tum mere, sharana kahun maikisaki, swami
sharana kahun mai kisaki, Tum bina aur na duja, tum bina
aur na duja
Aas karun mai jisaki, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*

*Tum pooru Na paramaatma, tum antarayaami, swami tum
antarayaami Paara brahma parameshware, paara brahma
parameshware Tum sabake swami, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*

*Tum karuNa ke saagar, tum paalana
karata, Swami, tum paalanakarata
Mai murakh khalakhami, Mai murakh khalakhami
Kripa karo bharatta, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*

*Tum ho ek agochar, sab ke praa Na pati,
Swami sab ke praa Na pati
Kisa vidhi miloo dayamay, Kisa vidhi miloo dayamay
Tumko mai kumati, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*

*Deenabandhudukhaharata, tumthakuru mere, Swami tum
thakuru mere
Apane haath bhadhavo, Apane haath bhadhavo
Dvaara padha tere, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*

*Vishaya vikaara mithao, papa haro devaa,
Swami papa haro devaa
Shradha bhakti badhavo, Shradha bhakti badhavo
Santana ki seva, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare
Poorna Brhma ki aarathi, jo koyi gave, Swami jo koyi gave
Kahat shivanand swamy, Kahat shivanand swamy
Sukha sampati aave, Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*

*Om jaya jagadeesha hare, swami jaya jagadeesha hare,
Bhakta janom ke sankat, Bhakta janom ke sankat
kshaNa me doore kare. Om jaya Jagadeesha hare*